

medical assistance and transportation for injured persons; agreements; reporting requirements; posting requirements).

**Modification Request:** The petitioner requests a modification of the existing standard to permit an alternative method of compliance for the existing standard because the application of the standard results in a diminution of safety. The petitioner proposes to:

1. Contract for transportation services to be available at all times when it is feasible to fly to the 4 East Portal and airlift miners from there.

2. Construct a “safe house” at the 4 East Portal for miners exiting that portal. The portal will contain food, water, medical supplies, and communication equipment.

3. Submit proposed revisions for its approved part 48 training plan to the District Manager within 60 days after the Proposed Decision and Order (PDO) becomes final. These proposed revisions will specify initial and refresher training regarding the terms and conditions stated in the PDO. The petitioner states that:

- Canyon Fuel is a large mine with a number of portals to the outside, either for transportation of miners or ventilation. The 4 East Portal was constructed to the outside in approximately 1991.
- For approximately 24 years, Canyon Fuel has routed its alternate escapeway to this portal as the safest and shortest route out of the mine.
- The escapeway at issue has been designated as an escapeway for a number of years. It has been inspected every quarter by MSHA inspectors and no issue has been raised.
- The escapeway is the shortest most practical route to the nearest mine opening suitable for the safe evacuation of miners. The alternative routes that would be available would be two to three times longer. The route to the 4 East Portal is also the least difficult of the alternate routes to travel. Such routes would require five or six self-contained self-rescuer “changeouts” as opposed to two. The route that Canyon Fuel would have to use for other routes is not as safe as the current secondary escapeway.
- In discussions with MSHA, concerning such designation, Citation Nos. 8483666 and 84807666 were issued on May 22, 2015 and May 26, 2015, respectively, pursuant to Section 104(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, 30 U.S.C. Section 814(a), alleging violations of 30 CFR 75.1713–1(b) and 30 CFR 75.380(a), requiring the

availability of transportation from the 4 East Portal. Such citations are subjects of notices of contest.

The petitioner asserts that the proposed alternative method will at times guarantee no less than the same measure of protection afforded by the existing standard.

Dated: July 27, 2015.

**Sheila McConnell,**

*Acting Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances.*

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## OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

### Request for Comments on Improving Cybersecurity Protections in Federal Acquisitions

**AGENCY:** Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** OMB’s Office of E-Government & Information Technology (E-Gov) is seeking public comment on draft guidance to improve cybersecurity protections in Federal acquisitions.

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit comments and feedback by the deadline listed on [policy.cio.gov](http://policy.cio.gov).

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties should provide comments at the following link: [policy.cio.gov](http://policy.cio.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Joseph Stuntz, OMB at [egov@omb.eop.gov](mailto:egov@omb.eop.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The threats facing Federal information systems have dramatically increased as agencies provide more services online, digitally store data, and rely on contractors for a variety of these information technology services. The Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2014 (FISMA),<sup>1</sup> Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance, and National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) standards provide agencies with a framework for securing their information and information systems regardless of where this information is stored. This information can be on government information systems, contractor information systems, and contractor information systems that are part of an Information Technology (IT) service operated on behalf of the government. The increase in threats facing Federal information systems

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.congress.gov/bill/113th-congress/senate-bill/2521/text>.

demand that certain issues regarding security of information on these systems is clearly, effectively, and consistently addressed in Federal contracts.

**Tony Scott,**

*Administrator, Office of E-Government and Information Technology.*

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## NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities, Comment Request

**AGENCY:** National Capital Planning Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed agency information collection activities, comment request.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA or Act) and its implementing regulations, the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC or Commission) announces an opportunity for a thirty (30) day public comment on a proposed Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Data for Planning Initiatives undertaken by the NCPC. A copy of the draft supporting statement is available at [www.ncpc.gov](http://www.ncpc.gov). Following review and disposition of public comments, NCPC will submit this generic information request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval, and additional public comment will be solicited. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. Written comments will be available for public review at [www.ncpc.gov](http://www.ncpc.gov).

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before August 31, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the proposed rule by either of the methods listed below.

1. *U.S. mail, courier, or hand delivery:* NCPC Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

2. *Electronically:* [OIRA\\_Submission@obm.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@obm.eop.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Director, Office of Public Engagement, National Capital Planning Commission, 401 9th Street NW., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20004; [info@ncpc.gov](mailto:info@ncpc.gov), (202) 482–7200.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), Federal