

The Secretary is often asked to speak on the subject of minimum wages and anticipates being asked to testify before congressional committees in the near future. The information obtained from participants in the toll-free number will be an important supplement to existing economic and other studies.

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Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NACOSH HazCom Workgroup Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a workgroup of the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health (NACOSH), established under section 7(a) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (29 U.S.C. 656) to advise the Secretary of Labor and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on matters relating to the administration of the Act, will meet on December 11 and 12, 1995, in N3437 A-D of the Department of Labor Building located at 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. The meeting, which is open to the public, will run from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on December 11 and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on December 12.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has asked NACOSH to form a workgroup to identify ways to improve chemical hazard communication and the right to know in the workplace. OSHA has asked the Committee to provide OSHA with recommendations in approximately six months to simplify material safety data sheets, reduce the amount of required paperwork, improve the effectiveness of worker training, and revise enforcement policies so that they focus on the most serious hazards.

Beginning at 1:00 p.m. on December 11 and continuing through December 12, members of the public who are impacted by OSHA's hazard communication standard are invited to address the workgroup. Presentations will be limited to 10 minutes with time allowed for questions from the workgroup members. Additional information and/or documentation may be submitted and will be entered into the record. A verbatim transcript will be made of the proceedings which will be available to the public in the OSHA Technical Data Center (TDC) located in Room N2625 of the Department of Labor Building (202-219-7500).

Those who wish to make presentations should notify, no later

than December 1, Joanne Goodell, Directorate of Policy, OSHA, Room N-3641, 200 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC, 20210, telephone (202) 219-8021, ext. 107, or FAX (202) 219-4383. Presenters must provide their name, the capacity in which they will appear, a brief outline of the content of the presentation, mail address, telephone and FAX numbers.

Presenters' specific requests to appear on either the December 11 afternoon session or the December 12 session will be honored to the extent the schedule allows. If there is sufficient time, others who have not notified OSHA will be permitted to make presentations after all those on the schedule have been heard. In the event that the number of requests to make presentations exceeds the available time, those with the earliest documented requests will be honored.

Written data, views or comments for consideration by the workgroup may be submitted, preferably with 20 copies, to Joanne Goodell at the address provided above. Any such submissions received prior to the meeting will be provided to the members of the Committee and will be included in the record of the meeting. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact Tom Hall (202-219-8615) by December 7.

Additional Meeting Schedule

On January 10-11, 1996, in Room N3437 A-D, the HazCom Workgroup will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on January 10 and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on January 11. Presentations by specialists will be made on the following subjects: label comprehension, electronic access systems, training programs, and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) experience in developing a standard for Hazardous Industrial Chemicals—Material Safety Data Sheets.

On February 7-9, the HazCom Workgroup will meet in Room N3437 A-D to review all issues and finalize the concept for the report. The meeting will run from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. the second day.

On March 20, the HazCom Workgroup will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Room N3437 A-D to review the total report, make any necessary changes and obtain concurrences.

It is anticipated that the final product of this workgroup will be submitted to the full National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety and Health in mid to late April.

For additional information contact: Joanne Goodell, Directorate of Policy, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Room N-3641, 200

Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20210, telephone (202) 219-8021.

Signed at Washington, DC this 8th day of November, 1995.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Collection of Information Submitted for OMB Review

In compliance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for opportunity for public comment on proposed data collection projects, the National Science Foundation (NSF) will publish periodic summaries of proposed projects. To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the data collection plans and instruments, call Herman Fleming, NSF Clearance Officer at (703) 306-1243.

Comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Proposed Project

Study of Persons with Disabilities Majoring in Science, Engineering, Mathematics, and Technology (SEMT). Individuals with disabilities do not pursue academic majors in science engineering, mathematics and technology in numbers commensurate with their prevalence in the population. Further, they are underrepresented among individuals who pursue science-oriented careers. This underrepresentation in SEMT of students with disabilities represents a major loss for both those individuals and the nation's scientific labor force. Currently, serious information gaps and contradictory data hamper the creation of policy and direction to allow and encourage talented young persons with disabilities to pursue careers in SEMT.

To address this need for information the proposed project has the following objectives; (1) To determine the number and demographic characteristics of these students. (2) To examine issues related to their pursuit of a degree, including research experience, high