BASELINE SAFETY AND HEALTH PRACTICES

Telephone Interview.

State and Local Governments

OSHA proposes to conduct in-depth telephone interviews with one or more knowledgeable safety and health officials in each of the 25 states that have approved safety and health programs for public sector employees. Of these states, 20 have programs that cover both private and public sector activities, while four states have approved programs that cover public sector employees only. Case study interviews will be based on the private sector questionnaire, but will be less structured and more open-ended, given the ill-defined nature of responsibility for safety and health practices among governmental agencies and departments. OSHA will not consider safety and health practices among fire prevention and law enforcement personnel, given the extensive job-specific training given to these employees.

Hello, I'm _____calling for the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration. We are conducting a study in OSHA State-Plan States to determine the extent states and local governments have safety and health management programs. We estimated it will take 1 hour to conduct this survey. The Paperwork Reduction Act requires approval of all federal government surveys by the Office of Management and Budget. These questions have been approved by OMB, and have been assigned OMB Control Number XXXX. Additional Information about this telephone survey and its approval is available upon request*.

If requested:

 * You may obtain a burden hour and cost analysis of this telephone survey at www.reginfo. If you wish to comment on this survey or if you have comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, please send them to: U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Directorate of Policy, Office of Regulatory Analysis, Room N-3641, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20210 and reference the OMB control number.