## **Request for genIC Approval**

**CDC/ATSDR Formative Research and Tool Development**

**0920-1154**

**CIO: CDC/NIOSH/DFSE**

**PROJECT TITLE:** Determination of Attitudes Regarding Noise in Construction

**PURPOSE AND USE OF COLLECTION:** National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) requests a 1-year approval for a generic information collection titled Determination of Attitudes Regarding Noise in Construction. The information collection supports an already-awarded contract with Hannon Group, LLC to conduct a marketing study aimed at improving attitudes about workplace noise on construction sites. This project will ultimately encourage the use of noise controls and other best practices to protect workers from workplace noise. The purpose and use of this information collection are for the contractor, Hannon Group, LLC to assist and advise NIOSH project officers in:

* Enhancing awareness of construction site noise as a worker health issue (the primary goal)
* Increasing concern about, and commitment to protecting, worker hearing health
* Improving regular and correct use of hearing protection by construction workers
* Facilitating greater interest in and action around “engineering out” noise in the construction environment
* Facilitating greater interest in and action around buying and using quieter construction equipment/tools

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**:

The respondent universe *Group A*: Construction Company Owners/Senior Executives and Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers; *Group B*: Construction Supervisor/Foremen; and *Group C*: Construction Workers.

In total, there will be four focus group transcripts developed by The Hannon Group. The two English-language focus groups (one Supervisor/Foremen focus group and one Construction worker focus group) will be in English. For the two Spanish-language focus groups with Construction Workers, those Spanish-language transcripts will be back-translated into English.

There will be a total of 20 In-Depth Interview transcripts, 10 with Construction Company Owners/Senior Executives and 10 with Construction Company Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers. All of these transcripts will be in English.

The information collected by The Hannon Group will be delivered to NIOSH in the form of the written focus group and In-Depth Interview transcripts as well as a written final report and via verbal teleconferences.

**CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. Information gathered will not be used to substantially inform influential policy decisions.
5. The study is not intended to produce results that can be generalized beyond its scope.

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To assist review, please answer the following questions:

**Personally Identifiable Information:**

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? [ ] Yes [ X ] No
2. If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? [ ] Yes [ ] No
3. If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? [ ] Yes [ ] No

**Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? [X ] Yes [ ] No

• In-Depth Interview Participants $75 giftcard (per person)

• Focus Group Participants $75 giftcard (per person)

**BURDEN HOURS**

| Type of Respondent | Form Name | Number of  Participants | Number of  Responses per  Respondent | Average Hours  Per Response | Total Response  Burden  (Hours) |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Group A:** Construction Company Owners/Senior Executives and Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers | In-Depth Interviews | 20 | 1 | 30/60 | 10 |
| **Group B:** Construction Supervisor/ Foremen | Focus Group | 12 | 1 | 1.5 | 18 |
| **Group C:** Construction Workers | Focus Group | 36 | 1 | 1.5 | 54 |
| **Total** |  |  |  |  | **82** |

**BURDEN COST**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Activity – Data Collection** | **Total Burden Hours** | **Hourly Wage Rate** | **Total Respondent Cost** |
| **Group A:** Construction Company Owners/Senior Executives and Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers | 10 | $49.57 | $496 |
| **Group B:** Construction Supervisor/ Foremen | 18 | $33.91 | $610 |
| **Group C:** Construction Workers | 54 | $21.54 | $1,163 |
|  |  | **Total** | **$2,269** |

**FEDERAL COST:** The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is $20,320.

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| **Expense Type** | **Expense Explanation** | **Annual Costs (dollars)** |
| **Direct Costs to the Federal Government** |  |  |
|  | **CDC Project Officer (GS-12/13, 0.25 FTE)** | **$20,320** |
|  | **Subtotal, Direct costs** | **$20,320** |
|  | **TOTAL COST TO THE GOVERNMENT** | **$20,320** |

**If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:**

**The selection of your targeted respondents**

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe? [ ] Yes [X] No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan)? If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them?

*Group A: Construction Company Owners/Senior Executives and Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers* *–* These individuals will be recruited from databases belonging to recruiters employed by The Hannon Group. These databases consist of companies, contact names, and/or contact information of potential respondents (Company Owners/Senior Executives and Equipment Purchasing Decision-Makers) across the United States. After contact is made, recruiters will ask them screening questions via telephone in order to ensure that they are qualified to participate in this study. Those who are qualified will be asked to participate in a one-on-one in-depth interview (IDI).

*Group B: Construction Supervisor/Foremen –* These individuals will be recruited from databases belonging to a focus group facility retained by The Hannon Group to recruit, schedule, and host the Construction Supervisor/Foremen focus group. These databases consist of companies, contact names, and/or contact information of potential respondents (Construction Supervisors and Foremen) in the Greater Baltimore/Washington D.C. area. After contact is made, recruiters will ask them screening questions via telephone in order to ensure that they are qualified to participate in this study. Those who are qualified will be asked to participate in an in-person focus group.

*Group C: Construction Workers –* These individuals will be recruited from databases belonging to a focus group facility as well as from databases and the network of an independent qualitative researcher retained by The Hannon Group to recruit, schedule, and host the Construction Worker focus groups. These databases and networks consist of companies, contact names, and /or contact information of potential respondents (Construction Workers) in the Greater Baltimore/Washington D.C. area. After contact is made, recruiters will ask them screening questions via telephone or in person in order to ensure that they are qualified to participate in this study. Those who are qualified will be asked to participate in an in-person focus group.

**Administration of the Instrument**

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

[ ] Web-based or other forms of Social Media

[X ] Telephone

[X] In-person

[ ] Mail

[] Other, Explain

1. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [ ] Yes [ X ] No

**Please make sure all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.**

## Instructions for completing genIC Request for Approval for

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**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Provide the name of the collection that is requested.

**PURPOSE and USE:** Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**: Briefly describe the targeted group/groups for this collection.

**CERTIFICATION:** Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

**Personally Identifiable Information:** Provide answers to the questions.

**Gifts or Payments:** If you answer yes to the question, please describe the incentive and provide a justification for the amount.

**BURDEN HOURS:**

**Category of Respondents:** Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected.

**Form:** Provide the title of the information collection form.

**No. of Respondents:** Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

**Participation Time:** Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group).

**Burden in Minutes:** Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.

**FEDERAL COST:** Estimate the annual cost to the Federal government for this collection.

**If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:**

**The selection of your targeted respondents.** Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them. If the answer is yes, to the first question, you may provide the sampling plan in an attachment.

**Administration of the Instrument:** Identify how the information will be collected. More than one box may be checked. Indicate whether there will be interviewers (e.g. for surveys) or facilitators (e.g., for focus groups) used.