

# Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission



## Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA)

**Information System:** Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission  
Network and General Support System

**Component:** OSHRC E-Filing System (OSHRC - EFS) Information System

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## Section 1.0 Information System's Contents:

1.1 Action necessitating Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA):

- New information system—**Implementation date:**  
 Revised or upgraded information system—**Revision or upgrade date:**

If this system is being revised—what will be done with the newly derived information:

- Placed in existing information system—**Implementation date:**  
 Placed in new auxiliary/ancillary information system—**Date:**  
 Other use(s)—**Implementation date:**

Please explain your response:

- New collection of information—**Collection date:**

This is a revision to a PIA that was last revised on August 28, 2019. OSHRC has redefined the system covered by this PIA to be a component of a larger information system, "Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Network and General Support System."

1.2 Has a Privacy Threshold Assessment (PTA) been done?

- Yes

**Date:** October 2016. However, due to revisions made to the security categorization of this system, OSHRC is no longer relying on this PTA. It is therefore no longer attached to the PIA.

- No

If a PTA has not been done, please explain why not:

If the Privacy Threshold Assessment (PTA) has been completed, please skip to **Question 1.10**

1.3 Has this information system, which contains information about individuals, *e.g.*, personally identifiable information (PII), existed under another name, *e.g.*, has the name been changed or modified?

- Yes  
 No

Please explain your response:

1.4 Has this information system undergone a "substantive change" in the system's format or operating system?

- Yes  
 No

If yes, please explain your response:

If there have been no changes to the information system's format or operating system(s), please skip to **Question 1.6**.

1.5 Has the medium in which the information system stores the records or data in the system changed:

- Paper files to electronic medium (computer database);
- From one IT (electronic) information system to IT system, *i.e.*, from one database, operating system, or software program, *etc.*

Please explain your response:

1.6 What information is the system collecting, analyzing, managing, using, and/or storing, *etc.*:

**Information about OSHRC Employees:**

- No OSHRC employee information
- OSHRC employee's name
- Other names used, *i.e.*, maiden name, *etc.*
- OSHRC badge number (employee ID)
- SSN
- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- U.S. Citizenship
- Non-U.S. Citizenship
- Biometric data
  - Fingerprints
  - Voiceprints
  - Retina scans/prints
  - Photographs
  - Other physical information, *i.e.*, hair color, eye color, identifying marks, *etc.*
- Birth date/age
- Place of birth
- Medical data
- Marital status
- Spousal information
- Miscellaneous family information
- Home address
- Home address history
- Home telephone number(s)
- Personal cell phone number(s):
- Personal fax number(s)
- E-mail address(es): **OSHRC e-mail address.**
- Emergency contact data:
- Credit card number(s)
- Driver's license
- Bank account(s)
- OSHRC personal employment records
- Military records
- Financial history
- Foreign countries visited
- Law enforcement data
- Background investigation history
- National security data
- Communications protected by legal privileges
- Digital signature
- Other information:

**Information about OSHRC Contractors:**

- No OSHRC contractor information
- Contractor's name
- Other name(s) used, *i.e.*, maiden name, *etc.*
- OSHRC Contractor badge number (Contractor ID)
- SSN
- U.S. Citizenship
- Non-U.S. Citizenship
- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- Biometric data
  - Fingerprints
  - Voiceprints
  - Retina scans/prints
  - Photographs
  - Other physical information, *i.e.*, hair color, eye color, identifying marks, *etc.*
- Birth date/Age
- Place of birth
- Medical data
- Marital status
- Spousal information
- Miscellaneous family information
- Home address
- Home address history
- Home telephone number(s)
- Personal cell phone number(s):
- Personal fax number(s)
- E-mail address(es): **OSHRC e-mail address.**
- Emergency contact data:
- Credit card number(s)
- Driver's license number(s)
- Bank account(s)
- Non-OSHC personal employment records
- Military records
- Financial history
- Foreign countries visited
- Law enforcement data
- Background investigation history
- National security data
- Communications protected by legal privileges
- Digital signature
- Other information:

**Information about non-OSHC personnel, including (1) parties, attorneys, and/or representatives in OSHRC cases; and (2) employees and other personnel who testify or are discussed in those cases:**

- Not applicable
- Individual's name:
- Other name(s) used, *i.e.*, maiden name, *etc.*
- OSHRC badge number (employee ID)
- SSN: **Commission procedural rules require parties to redact SSNs from exhibits or other**

materials filed with the agency, but sometimes SSNs are left unredacted.

- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- Citizenship
- Non-U.S. Citizenship
- Biometric data
  - Fingerprints
  - Voiceprints
  - Retina scans/prints
  - Photographs
  - Other physical information, *i.e.*, hair color, eye color, identifying marks, *etc.*
- Birth date/Age:
- Place of birth
- Medical data
- Marital status
- Spousal information
- Miscellaneous family information
- Home address
- Home address history
- Home telephone number(s)
- Personal cell phone number(s):
- Personal fax number(s)
- Personal e-mail address(es):
- Emergency contact data:
- Credit card number(s)
- Driver's license number(s)
- Bank account(s)
- Non-OSHR personal employment records
- Military records
- Financial history
- Foreign countries visited
- Law enforcement data
- Background investigation history
- National security data
- Communications protected by legal privileges
- Digital signature

Other information: The categories checked above (other than SSNs) are the types of PII that are most commonly found in case records. However, exhibits admitted into evidence could potentially include any type of PII, including the categories above that were not checked. Given the nature of adjudication, all possible types of PII that could be included in a case record cannot be specified.

**Information about Business Customers and others (usually not considered “personal information”):**

- Not applicable
- Name of business contact/firm representative, customer, and/or others
- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- Full or partial SSN:
- Business/corporate purpose(s)
- Other business/employment/job description(s)
- Professional affiliations

- Business/office address
- Intra-business office address (office or workstation)
- Business telephone number(s)
- Business cell phone number(s)
- Business fax number(s)
- Business pager number(s)
- Business e-mail address(es)
- Bill payee name
- Bank routing number(s)
- Income/Assets
- Web navigation habits
- Commercially obtained credit history data
- Commercially obtained buying habits
- Credit card number(s)
- Bank account(s)
- Other information:

1.7 What are the sources for the PII and other information that this information system (or database) is collecting:

- Personal information from OSHRC employees:
- Personal information from OSHRC contractors:
- Personal information from non-OSHRC individuals and/or households:
- Non-personal information from businesses and other for-profit entities:
- Non-personal information from institutions and other non-profit entities:
- Non-personal information from farms:
- Non-personal information from Federal Government agencies:
- Non-personal information from state, local, or tribal governments:
- Other sources:

1.8 Does this information system have any links to other information systems or databases? **No.**

An information system (or database) may be considered as linked to other information systems (or databases) if it has one or more of the following characteristics:

- The information system is a subsystem or other component of another information system or database that is operated by another OSHRC bureau/office or non-OSHRC entity (like the FBI, DOJ, National Finance Center, etc.);
- The information system transfers or receives information, including PII, between itself and another OSHRC or non-OSHRC information system or database:
- The information system has other types of links or ties to other OSHRC or non-OSHRC information systems or databases;
- The information system has other characteristics that make it linked or connected to another OSHRC or non-OSHRC information system or database;
- The information system has no links to another information system (or database), *i.e.*, it does not share, transfer, and/or obtain data from another system; **please skip to Question 1.10.**

Please explain your response:

1.9 What PII does the information system obtain, share, and/or use from other information systems?

- OSHRC information system and information system name(s):
- Non-OSHRC information system and information system name(s):

- OSHRC employee's name:
- (non-OSHRC employee) individual's name
- Other names used, *i.e.*, maiden name, *etc.*
- OSHRC badge number (employee ID)
- Other Federal Government employee ID information, *i.e.*, badge number, *etc.*
- SSN:
- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- U.S. Citizenship
- Non-U.S. Citizenship
- Biometric data
  - Fingerprints
  - Voiceprints
  - Retina scan/prints
  - Photographs
  - Other physical information, *i.e.*, hair color, eye color, identifying marks, *etc.*
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- Marital status
- Spousal information
- Miscellaneous family information:
- Home address
- Home address history
- Home telephone number(s)
- Personal cell phone number(s)
- Personal fax number(s)
- E-mail address(es): OSHRC e-mail address.
- Emergency contact data
- Credit card number(s)
- Driver's license
- Bank account(s)
- Non-OSHRC personal employment records
- Non-OSHRC government badge number (employee ID)
- Law enforcement data
- Military records
- National security data
- Communications protected by legal privileges
- Financial history
- Foreign countries visited
- Background investigation history
- Digital signature
- Other information:

**Information about Business Customers and others (usually not considered "personal information"):**

- Not applicable
- Name of business contact/firm representative, customer, and/or others
- Race/Ethnicity
- Gender
- Full or partial SSN:
- Business/corporate purpose(s)

- Other business/employment/job description(s)
- Professional affiliations
- Intra-business office address (office or workstation)
- Business telephone number(s)
- Business cell phone number(s)
- Business fax number(s)
- Business e-mail address(es)
- Bill payee name
- Bank routing number(s)
- Income/Assets
- Web navigation habits
- Commercially obtained credit history data
- Commercially obtained buying habits
- Personal clubs and affiliations
- Credit card number(s)
- Bank account(s)
- Other information:

- 1.10 Under the *Privacy Act of 1974*, as amended, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, Federal agencies are required to have a System of Records Notice (SORN) for an information system like this one, which contains information about individuals, *e.g.*, “personally identifiable information” (PII).

A System of Records Notice (SORN) is a description of how the information system will collect, maintain, store, and use the personally identifiable information (PII).

Does a SORN cover the PII in this information system?

- Yes
- No

If yes, what is this SORN: [E-Filing/Case Management System, OSHRC-6](#), is available on the [Review Commission’s privacy page](#).

## Section 2.0 System of Records Notice (SORN):

- 2.1 What is the Security Classification for the information in this SORN, as determined by the OSHRC Security Officer? [The information covered by the SORN is unclassified.](#)

- 2.2 What is the location of the information covered by this SORN? [Electronic records are maintained in a government-only cloud within an Oracle Database, operated by Tyler Federal, LLC, at 44470 Chilum Place, Ashburn, VA 20148.](#)

- 2.3 What are the categories of individuals in the system of records covered by this SORN?

[This system of records covers \(1\) administrative law judges \(ALJs\); \(2\) Commission members and their staff; \(3\) OSHRC employees entering data into the e-filing/case management system \(EFS\), or assigned responsibilities with respect to a particular case; and \(4\) parties, the parties’ points of contact, and the parties’ representatives in cases that have been, or presently are, before OSHRC.](#)

- 2.4 What are the categories of records<sup>1</sup> covered by this SORN?

[The electronic records contain the following information: \(1\) The names of those covered by the](#)

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<sup>1</sup> This refers to the types of information that this information system or database collects, uses, stores, and disposes of when no longer needed.



system of records and, as to parties, their points of contact; (2) the telephone and fax numbers, business email addresses, and/or business street addresses of those covered by the system of records; (3) the names of OSHRC cases, and information associated with the cases, such as the inspection number, the docket number, the state in which the action arose, the names of the representatives, and whether the case involved a fatality; (4) events occurring in cases and the dates on which the events occurred; (5) documents filed in cases and the dates on which the documents were filed; and (6) the names of OSHRC employees entering data into the EFS, or assigned responsibilities with respect to a particular case.

2.5 Under what legal authority(s) does the OSHRC collect and maintain the information covered by this SORN?

29 U.S.C. § 661.

2.6 What are the purposes for collecting, maintaining, and using the information covered by this SORN?

This system of records is maintained for the purpose of processing cases that are before OSHRC.

2.7 What are the Routine Uses under which disclosures are permitted to “third parties,” as noted in this SORN?

- Adjudication and litigation: Routine Use 1
- Court or Adjudicative Body: Routine Use 1
- Committee communications:
- Compliance with welfare reform requirements:
- Congressional inquiries: Routine Use 9
- Contract services, grants, or cooperative agreements:
- Emergency response by medical personnel and law enforcement officials:
- Employment, security clearances, licensing, contracts, grants, and other benefits by OSHRC: Routine Use 3
- Employment, security clearances, licensing, contracts, grants, and other benefits upon a request from another Federal, state, local, tribal, or other public authority, etc.: Routine Use 4
- OSHRC enforcement actions:
- Financial obligations under the Debt Collection Act:
- Financial obligations required by the National Finance Center:
- First responders, e.g., law enforcement, DHS, FEMA, DOD, NTIA, etc.:
- Government-wide oversight by NARA, DOJ, OPM, and/or OMB: Routine Uses 6, 8, 10, and 12
- Labor relations: Routine Use 5
- Law enforcement and investigations: Routine Use 2
- National security and intelligence matters:
- Department of State, Department of Homeland Security, and other Federal agencies: Routine Use 7
- Program partners, e.g., WMATA:
- Breach of Federal data: Routine Uses 11 and 13
- Others Routine Use disclosures not listed above:
  - **Routine Use 14:** To a bar association or similar federal, state, or local licensing authority for a possible disciplinary action.
  - **Routine Use 15:** To vetted employees of Tyler Federal, LLC, in order to ensure that the e-filing/case management system is properly maintained.

- **Routine Use 16:** To the public, in accordance with 29 U.S.C. 661(g), for the purpose of inspecting and/or copying the records at OSHRC.

2.8 What is the OSHRC’s policy concerning whether information covered by this SORN is disclosed to consumer reporting agencies?

Disclosure is not permitted.

2.9 What are the policies and/or guidelines for the storage, maintenance, and safeguarding of the information covered by this SORN?

At the Equinix secure colocation site, the information is stored in a database contained on a separate database server behind the application server serving the data.

Data going across the Internet is encrypted using SSL encryption. Every system is password protected. Tyler Federal, LLC, which stores the data in a government-only cloud within an Oracle Database, operates its own equipment that is protected by physical security measures. Only authorized employees of Tyler Federal, LLC, who have both biometric and PIN access to the datacenter cage utilized by Tyler Federal, LLC, can physically access the sites where data is stored. Only authorized and vetted employees of Tyler Federal, LLC, have access to the servers containing any PII.

The access of parties and their representatives to electronic records in the EFS is limited to active files pertaining to cases in which the parties are named, or the representatives have entered appearances. The access of OSHRC employees is limited to personnel having a need for access to perform their official functions and is additionally restricted through username/password identification procedures

2.10 How is the information covered by this SORN retrieved or otherwise accessed?

Electronic records contained in the EFS may be retrieved by any of the data items listed under “Categories of Records in the System,” including docket number, inspection number, any part of a representative’s name or the case name, and user.

2.11 What is the records retention and disposition schedule for the information covered by this SORN?

Under Records Disposition Schedule N1-455-11-2, electronic records pertaining to those paper case files may be deleted when no longer needed for the conduct of current business.

2.12 What are the sources for the information in the categories of records covered by this SORN?

Information in this system is derived from the individual to whom it applies or is derived from case processing records maintained by the agency’s Office of the Executive Secretary and Office of the General Counsel, or from information provided by the parties who appear before OSHRC.

**Section 3.0 Development, Management, and Deployment and/or Sharing of the Information:**

3.1 Who will develop the information system(s) covered by this SORN?

- Developed wholly by OSHRC staff employees:
- Developed wholly by OSHRC contractors: Tyler Federal, LLC
- Developed jointly by OSHRC employees and contractors:
- Developed offsite primarily by non-OSHRC staff:
- COTS (commercial-off-the-shelf-software) package:

Other development, management, and deployment/sharing information arrangements:

3.2 Where will the information system be housed?

- OSHRC Headquarters
- American Eagle (web-site)
- Tyler Federal, LLC (case tracking system)
- Other information:
- Other information:

3.3 Who will be the primary manager(s) of the information system, *i.e.*, who will be responsible for assuring access to, proper use of, and protecting the security and integrity of the information?

- OSHRC staff in this bureau/office exclusively: OSHRC's IT department works with Tyler Federal, LLC, to ensure information is properly safeguarded from outside incursions.
- OSHRC staff in other bureaus/offices
- Information system administrator/Information system developers: OSHRC's IT department is the system administrator and Tyler Federal, LLC, is the developer.
- Contractors: Tyler Federal, LLC
- Other information system developers, *etc*:

3.4 What are the OSHRC's policies and procedures that the information system's administrators and managers use to determine who gets access to the information in the system's files and/or database(s)?

The EFS relies on user roles to determine what files and/or database(s) a user may access.

3.5 How much access will users have to data in the information system(s)?

- Access to all data:
- Restricted access to data, as determined by the information system manager, administrator, and/or developer:
- Other access policy:

3.6 Based on the Commission policies and procedures, which user group(s) may have access to the information at the OSHRC:

- Information system managers:
- Information system administrators:
- Information system developers: Tyler Federal, LLC, for purpose of ensuring that the EFS is properly maintained.
- OSHRC staff in this bureau/office: Extent of access depends on the user's role.
- OSHRC staff in other bureaus/offices in OSHRC area offices: Extent of access depends on the user's role.
- Contractors: Tyler Federal, LLC, as well as contract employees who work at National and area offices.
- Other Federal agencies: Department of Labor, access is limited to documents/information in cases where DOL is a party.
- State and/or local agencies:
- Businesses, institutions, and other groups:
- International agencies:
- Individuals/general public: Access is limited to documents/information in cases where the individual is a party or representative of a party. The public has the right to inspect case files under section 12(g) of the OSH Act, 29 U.S.C. § 661(g), but will not be allowed direct electronic access

to case files or other information in the information system. Case files contained in this information system, however, may be copied by an OSHRC employee and provided to the public pursuant to a FOIA request under 5 U.S.C. § 552, or for inspection under section 12(g) of the OSH Act.

Other groups:

If contractors do not have access to the PII in this system, please skip to **Question 3.9**.

- 3.7 What steps have been taken to ensure that the contractors who have access to and/or work with the PII in the system are made aware of their duties and responsibilities to comply with the requirements under subsection (m) “Contractors” of the Privacy Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(m)?

Contractors who have access to this information—those who work in OSHRC’s information technology office, as well as those who work in other offices and require access to information to perform their work duties—receive the same Privacy Act and security awareness training, when first hired and then annually thereafter, that OSHRC employees receive.

In any future contract with Tyler Federal, LLC, or any other contractor maintaining an information system for the Commission, the terms of the contract will make the provisions of the Privacy Act binding on the contractor and its employees.

- 3.8 What steps have been taken to ensure that any Section M contract(s) associated with the information system covered by this SORN include the required FAR clauses (FAR 52.224-1 and 52.224-2)?

OSHRC’s policy is to include up-to-date FAR clauses in each section M contract.

If there are no information linkages, sharing, and/or transmissions, **please skip to Section 4.0 Data Quality, Utility, Objectivity, and Integrity Requirements:** (There are no information linkages, sharing, and/or transmissions.)

- 3.9 If the information system has links to other information systems (or databases), *i.e.*, it shares, transmits, or has other linkages, with what other non-OSHRC organizations, groups, and individuals will the information be shared?

(Check all that apply and provide a brief explanation)

- Other Federal agencies:  
 State, local, or other government agencies:  
 Businesses:  
 Institutions:  
 Individuals:  
 Other groups:

Please explain your response:

- 3.10 If this information system transmits or shares information, including PII, between any other OSHRC systems or databases, is the other system (or database) covered by a PIA?

- Yes  
 No

Please explain your response:

- 3.11 Since this information system transmits/shares PII between the OSHRC computer network and

another non-OSHRC network, what security measures or controls are used to protect the PII that is being transmitted/shared and to prevent unauthorized access during transmission?

If there is no “matching agreement,” e.g., *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), etc.*, please skip to **Section 4.0 Data Quality, Utility, Objectivity, and Integrity Requirements**: (There are no matching agreements.)

3.12 What kind of “matching agreement,” e.g., *Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), etc.*, as defined by 5 U.S.C. § 552a(u) of the Privacy Act, as amended, is there to cover the information sharing and/or transferred with the external organizations?

3.13 Is this a new or a renewed matching agreement?

- New matching agreement  
 Renewed matching agreement

Please explain your response:

3.14 Has the matching agreement been reviewed and approved (or renewed) by the OSHRC’s Data Integrity Board, which has administrative oversight for all OSHRC matching agreements?

- Yes; if yes, on what date was the agreement approved:  
 No

Please explain your response:

3.15 Is the information that is covered by this SORN, which is transmitted or disclosed with the external organization(s), comply with the terms of the *MOU* or other “matching agreement?”

3.16 Is the shared information secured by the recipient under the *MOU*, or other “matching agreement to prevent potential information breaches?”

#### **Section 4.0 Data Quality, Utility, Objectivity, and Integrity Requirements:**

OMB regulations require Federal agencies to ensure that the information/data that they collect and use meets the highest possible level of quality and integrity. It is important, therefore, that the information the Commission’s information systems use meets the “benchmark standards” established for the information.

4.1 How will the information that is collected from OSHRC sources, including OSHRC employees and contractors, be checked for accuracy and adherence to the Data Quality guidelines?

The specific procedures for checking and maintaining the quality of information posted on [oshrc.gov](http://oshrc.gov) are specified in the agency’s [Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Disseminated Information & Procedures for the Public to Seek Correction of Disseminated Information](#). These procedures do not apply to information included in the EFS. Specifically, OSHRC notes the following in its guidelines:

Consistent with OMB guidelines, these procedures do not apply to the dissemination of information relating to adjudicative processes, such as “the findings and determinations that an agency makes in the course of adjudications involving specific parties.” 67 FR 8452, 8454 (Feb. 22, 2002). The agency agrees with OMB’s statement in the Federal Register that there are “well established procedural safeguards and rights to address the quality of adjudicatory decisions and to provide persons with an opportunity to contest decisions.” *Id.* Excluded categories of information include, but are not limited to, decisions, orders, opinions, subpoenas, and briefs. Therefore, the agency will not impose additional

requirements during its adjudicative proceedings or establish additional rights of challenge or appeal through this administrative procedure.

If the Data Quality Guidelines do not apply to the information in this information system (or database), please skip to **Section 5.0 Safety and Security Requirements:**

4.2 If any information collected from non-OSHRC sources, how will the information sources be checked for accuracy and adherence to the Data Quality guidelines?

(Please check all that apply and provide an explanation)

- Yes, information is collected from non-OSHRC sources:
- Information is processed and maintained only for the purposes for which it is collected:
- Information is reliable for its intended use(s):
- Information is accurate:
- Information is complete:
- Information is current:
- No information comes from non-OSHRC sources:

Please explain any exceptions or clarifications:

If the information that is covered by this SORN is not being aggregated or consolidated, please skip to **Question 4.5.**

4.3 If the information that is covered by this system of records notice (SORN) is being aggregated or consolidated, what controls are in place to ensure that the information is relevant, accurate, and complete?

4.4 What policies and procedures do the information system's administrators and managers use to ensure that the information adheres to the Data Quality guidelines both when the information is obtained from its sources and when the information is aggregated or consolidated for the use by the bureaus and offices?

4.5 How often are the policies and procedures checked routinely—what type of annual verification schedule has been established to ensure that the information that is covered by this SORN adheres to the Data Quality guidelines?

### **Section 5.0 Safety and Security Requirements:**

5.1 How are the records/information/data in the information system or database covered by this SORN stored and maintained?

- IT database management system (DBMS)
- Electronic tape
- Paper files
- Other: Maintained by Tyler Federal, LLC

5.2 Is the information collected, stored, analyzed, or maintained by this information system or database available in another form or from another source (other than a "matching agreement" or *MOU*, as noted above)?

- Yes
- No

Please explain your response: Case files are also maintained in paper form.

- 5.3 What would be the consequences to the timely performance of OSHRC's operations if this information system became dysfunctional?

If the EFS became dysfunctional, the inability to access the system would "cause significant degradation in mission capability to an extent and duration that the organization is able to perform its primary function." See FIPS Publication 199. EFS users who are required under 29 CFR § 2200.8(c)(1) to submit documents via the EFS would be unable to comply with the requirement. While Commission rules permit other methods of filing in limited circumstances, see 29 CFR § 2200.8(c)(2), (5), filing through the EFS is mandatory. If ALJs were unable to issue orders through the EFS, however, there is no Commission rule prohibiting them from using an alternative method, such as certified mail, to transmit orders to the parties.

- 5.4 What will this information system do with the information it collects:

- The system will create new or previously unavailable information through data aggregation, consolidation, and/or analysis, which may include information obtained through link(s), sharing, and/or transferred to/from other information systems or databases;  
 The system collects PII, but it will not perform any analyses of the PII data.

- 5.5 Will the OSHRC use the PII that the information system (or database) collects to produce reports on these individuals?

- Yes  
 No

- 5.6 What will the system's impact(s) be on individuals from whom it collects and uses their PII:

- The information will be included in the individual's records;  
 The information will be used to make a determination about an individual;  
 The information will be used for other purposes that have few or no impacts on the individuals.

Please explain your response (including the magnitude of any impact[s]): The information is collected only to allow OSHRC to process cases that come before the ALJs and the Commission. Thus, any impact on the PII's subject is minimal.

- 5.7 Do individuals have the right to the following?

They may decline to provide their PII?

- Yes  
 No

They may consent to particular uses of their PII?

- Yes  
 No

Please explain your response(s) (including the potential consequences for refusing to provide PII):

Use of the EFS is mandatory in OSHRC cases except in limited circumstances. 29 C.F.R. § 2200.8(c)(1). Inclusion of certain PII, including name, email address, physical address, and phone number, is necessary to register for the EFS. In addition, the EFS includes the names of OSHRC employees entering data into the EFS or assigned responsibilities with respect to a case. Finally, the PII of parties, witnesses and others related to a case is included in the case records (most often, hearing transcripts and exhibits) that are maintained on the EFS (the EFS is also a case management that includes filings in all cases, including those that were not filed through the EFS).



Given the nature of an adjudicatory proceeding, consent is typically not required, and refusal to provide documents including PII could be subject to the Commission's subpoena procedures (29 C.F.R. § 2200.65). Nonetheless, Commission procedural rules (29 C.F.R. § 2200.8(c)(6), (d)(5)) are in place to minimize the amount of PII that is made part of the record.

If individuals do not have the right to consent to the use of their information, **please skip to Question 5.10.**

5.8 If individuals have the right to consent to the use of their PII, how does the individual exercise this right?

5.9 What processes are used to notify and to obtain consent from the individuals whose PII is being collected?

5.10 How will the information be collected and/or input into this information system (or database):

(Choose all that apply)

- The information system has a link to the OSHRC's Internet address at [www.OSHRC.gov](http://www.OSHRC.gov) or other customer-facing URL;
- The information system has a customer-facing web site via the OSHRC Intranet for OSHRC employees;
- The information is collected from the individual by fax;
- The information is collected from the individual by e-mail;
- The information is collected from the individual by completing an OSHRC form, license, and/or other document;
- The information is collected from the individual by regular mail; and/or
- The information concerning individuals is collected by other methods.

Please explain your response:

The information system is accessible on [www.oshrc.gov](http://www.oshrc.gov) via a button, titled "OSHRC E-Filing System" and linked to the URL for the EFS.

5.11 How does this system advise individuals of their privacy rights when they submit their PII?

A Privacy Notice is displayed on the EFS login page and a Privacy Act Statement is displayed on the EFS Registration page.


5.12 If a Privacy Notice is provided, which of the following are included?

- Proximity and timing—the privacy notice is provided at the time and point of data collection.
- Purpose—describes the principal purpose(s) for which the information will be used.
- Authority—specifies the legal authority that allows the information to be collected.
- Conditions—specifies whether providing the information is voluntary, and the effects, if any, of not providing it.
- Disclosures—specify the routine use(s) that may be made of the information.
- Not applicable, as information will not be collected in this way.

The Privacy Notice is provided immediately before the user accesses the system. The notice provides the more general disclosures pertaining to law enforcement. The Privacy Act Statement



appears on the webpage through which individuals provide PII to register for an EFS account. This Statement reads as follows:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), the following Privacy Act Statement serves to inform you that registering as a user of the Review Commission's E-File System will result in the collection of your name, company name, email address and phone number, and your association with the case before the Review Commission (i.e., contact type). This information is necessary to allow the Review Commission and others involved in the same case to communicate with you about case matters, including notifying you about filings and orders that have been issued. This collection of information is authorized under 29 U.S.C. § 661(g). According to 29 C.F.R. § 2200.8(c), all parties and intervenors must file documents electronically in the Review Commission's E-File System and, therefore, their representatives must register as users and provide the required information designated with an . Under this rule, however, a judge could excuse *self-represented* parties and intervenors from this E-File requirement if they claim that complying with it would place an undue burden on them. The information collected through this registration page may be disclosed in accordance with the routine uses specified in OSHRC-6, the applicable system-of-records notice, which is available on the Review Commission's [privacy page](#).

5.13 Will consumers have access to information and/or the information system on-line via [www.OSHRC.gov](http://www.OSHRC.gov)?

- Yes
- No
- N/A

There are no consumers who have access to the EFS. Rather, access is limited to parties in proceedings before OSHRC, the parties' representatives, agency employees, and technical support.

5.14 What safeguards and security measures, including physical and technical access controls, are in place to secure the information and to minimize unauthorized access, use, or dissemination of the information that is stored and maintained in the information system?

(Check all that apply)

- Account name
- Passwords
  - Accounts are locked after a set period of inactivity
  - Passwords have security features to prevent unauthorized disclosure, e.g., "hacking"
  - Accounts are locked after a set number of incorrect attempts
  - One time password token
  - Other security features:
- Firewall
- Virtual private network (VPN)
- Data encryption:
- Intrusion detection application (IDS)
- Common access cards (CAC)
- Smart cards:
- Biometrics
- Public key infrastructure (PKI)
- Locked file cabinets or fireproof safes
- Locked rooms, with restricted access when not in use
- Locked rooms, without restricted access

- Documents physically marked as “sensitive”
- Guards
  - Identification badges
  - Key cards
  - Cipher locks
  - Closed circuit TV (CCTV)
- Other:

5.15 Please explain what staff security training and other measures are in place to assure that the security and privacy safeguards are maintained adequately?

Each OSHRC employee is required to complete Privacy Act and security awareness training annually.

5.16 How often are the security controls reviewed?

- Six months or less
- One year
- Two years
- Three years
- Four years
- Five years
- Other:

5.17 How often are ITC personnel (*e.g.*, information system administrators, information system/information system developers, contractors, and other ITC staff, *etc.*) who oversee the OSHRC network operations trained and made aware of their responsibilities for protecting the information?

- There is no training
- One year
- Two years
- Three years
- Four years
- Five years
- Other:

5.18 How often must staff be “re-certified” that they understand the risks when working with personally identifiable information (PII)?

- Less than one year
- One year
- Two years
- Three or more years
- Other re-certification procedures:

5.19 Do OSHRC’s training and security requirements for this information system conform to the requirements of the Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA)?

- Yes
- No

Please explain your response:

A breach notification policy is in place. Additionally, specific to this information system

component, the pertinent SORN, as well as this PIA, are reviewed on an annual basis. Finally, security awareness training and Privacy Act training are provided annually to all OSHRC employees and contractors.

If the Privacy Threshold Assessment (PTA) was completed recently as part of the information system's evaluation, please skip **Questions 5.20 through 5.23**, and proceed to **Question 5.24**.

5.20 What is the potential impact on individuals on whom the information is maintained in the information system(s) if unauthorized disclosure or misuse of information occurs?

(Check one)

- Results in little or no harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to the individual.
- Results in moderate harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to the individual.
- Results in significant harm, embarrassment, inconvenient, or unfairness to the individual.

Please explain your response: Documents containing sensitive PII are maintained in their unredacted forms (unless sealed) on the EFS. Given the wide range of PII types that could be included in a case record, the potential exists for moderate harm, embarrassment, inconvenience, or unfairness to the individual.

5.21 What is the impact level for the information system(s) covered by this SORN and is it consistent with the guidelines as determined by the FIPS 199 assessment? The aggregate security categorization for this information system component is moderate.

5.22 When was the "Assessment and Authorization" (A&A) completed for the information system(s) covered by this SORN—please provide the A&A completion date? The agency reauthorized the information system, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Network and General Support System, on November 12, 2020.

5.23 Has the Chief Information Officer (CIO) and/or the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) designated this information system as requiring one or more of the following:

- Independent risk assessment:
- Independent security test and evaluation:
- Other risk assessment and/or security testing procedures, *etc.*:
- Not applicable:

As part of the reauthorization package for the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Network and General Support System, this information system requires a system security and privacy plan, and an assessment of security and privacy controls.

5.24 Does this information system use technology in ways that the Commission has not done so previously, *i.e.*, Smart Cards, Caller-ID, *etc.*? No.

5.25 How does the use of the technology affect the privacy of the general public and OSHRC employees and contractors? Technology—through access restrictions and password/username requirements—protects the information from unauthorized disclosure. Additionally, OSHRC requires EFS users to provide only limited PII so that cases can be effectively processed.

5.26 Does this information system (covered by this SORN) include a capability to identify, locate, and/or monitor individuals?

- Yes  
 No

If the information system does not include any monitoring capabilities, please skip to **Section 6.0 Information Collection Requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)**. (The information system does not include monitoring capabilities.)

- 5.27 If the information system includes the technical ability to monitor an individual's movements identified in Questions 5.24 through 5.26 above, what kinds of information will be collected as a function of the monitoring of individuals?
- 5.28 What controls, policies, and procedures, if any, does this information system (covered by this SORN) contain any controls, policies, and procedures to prevent unauthorized monitoring?

### **Section 6.0 Information Collection Requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA):**

If this information system or database affects only OSHRC employees, please skip to **Section 9.0**

- 6.1 Does the information system or database covered by this SORN solicit information via paperwork and/or recordkeeping requirements that effect the general public (non-OSHRC employees), which may include any of the following (including both voluntary and required compliance):
- OSHRC forms, licenses, or other documentation;
  - Participation in marketing, consumer, or customer satisfaction surveys or questionnaires;
  - Recordkeeping or related activities.

If so, is this information system subject to the requirements of the PRA because it solicits information via paperwork and/or recordkeeping requirements

- Yes, the information system includes any paperwork and/or recordkeeping requirements that non-OSHRC employees and contractors must complete.
- No, the information system does impose any paperwork and/or recordkeeping requirements, *i.e.*, the information it collects does not constitute an "information collection" as defined by the PRA.

If there are no paperwork or recordkeeping requirements (or if only OSHRC employees and contractors are the effected groups), this information system is exempt from the requirements of the PRA. Please skip to **Section 7.0 Correction and Redress**: (PRA requirements do not apply here.)

- 6.2 Is there a website that requests information, such as the information necessary to complete an OSHRC form, license, authorization, *etc.*?
- Yes
  - No or Not applicable

Please explain your response:

- 6.3 If there are one or more PRA information collections that are covered by this SORN that are associated with the information system's databases and paper files, please list the OMB Control

Number, Title of the collection, and Form number(s) as applicable for the information collection(s):

- 6.4 Are there any OSHRC forms associated with the information system(s) covered by this SORN, and if so, do the forms carry the Privacy Act notice?

- Yes:  
 No  
 Not applicable—the information collection does not include any forms.

- 6.5 Have the system managers contacted the Performance Evaluation and Records Management (PERM) staff to coordinate PRA requirements and submission of the information collection to the Office of Management and Budget?

- Yes  
 No

Please explain your response:

### **Section 7.0 Correction and Redress:**

- 7.1 What are the procedures for individuals wishing to inquire whether this SORN contains information about them consistent with OSHRC's Privacy Act rules under 29 CFR part 2400?

Such inquiries should be addressed to the Privacy Officer, OSHRC, 1120 20th Street NW, Ninth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-3457. For an explanation on how such requests should be drafted, refer to 29 CFR § 2400.4 (procedures for requesting notification of and access to personal records).

- 7.2 What are the procedures for individuals to gain access to their own records/information/data in this information system that is covered by this SORN consistent with OSHRC's Privacy Act rules under 29 CFR part 2400?

Such requests should be addressed to the Privacy Officer, OSHRC, 1120 20th Street NW, Ninth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-3457. For an explanation on how such requests should be drafted, refer to 29 CFR § 2400.4 (procedures for requesting notification of and access to personal records).

- 7.3 What are the procedures for individuals seeking to correct or to amend records/information/data about themselves in the information system that is covered by this SORN consistent with OSHRC's Privacy Act rules under 29 CFR part 2400?

Such requests should be addressed to the Privacy Officer, OSHRC, 1120 20th Street NW, Ninth Floor, Washington, DC 20036-3457. For an explanation on the specific procedures for contesting the contents of a record, refer to 29 CFR § 2400.6 (procedures for amending personal records), and 29 CFR § 2400.7 (procedures for appealing).

- 7.4 Does this SORN claim any exemptions to the notification, access, and correction, and/or amendment procedures as they apply to individuals seeking information about them in this SORN, and if so, are these exemptions consistent with OSHRC's Privacy Act rules under 29 CFR part 2400?

No.

7.5 What processes are in place to monitor and to respond to privacy and/or security incidents? (Please specify what is changing if this is an existing SORN that is being updated or revised?)

Safeguards described above and in the SORNs are in place to minimize the potential of a privacy and/or security incident. If one does occur, OSHRC has a breach policy in place that requires any employee recognizing that a breach has (or may have) occurred to notify appropriate agency personnel so that any necessary corrective action can be taken.

7.6 How often is the information system audited to ensure compliance with OSHRC and OMB regulations and to determine new needs?

- Six months or less
- One year
- Two years
- Three years:
- Four years
- Five years
- Other audit scheduling procedure(s):

### Section 8.0 Consumer Satisfaction:

8.1 Is there a customer or consumer satisfaction survey included as part of the public access to the information covered by this information system or database?

- Yes
- No
- Not applicable

Please explain your response: There are no consumers who have access to the EFS. Rather, access is limited to parties in proceedings before OSHRC, the parties' representatives, agency employees, and technical support.

If there are no Consumer Satisfaction requirements, please skip to Section 9.0 Risk Assessment and Mitigation: (There are no Consumer Satisfaction requirements.)

8.2 Have any potential Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) issues been addressed prior to implementation of the customer satisfaction survey?

- Yes
- No

Please explain your response:

### Section 9.0 Risk Assessment and Mitigation:

9.1 What are the potential privacy risks for the information covered by this system of records notice (SORN), and what practices and procedures have you adopted to minimize them?

Risks:	Mitigating factors:
<p>a. Case records containing PII maintained in EFS.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Password/username requirements restrict who can access the EFS.</li> <li>2. Role-based restrictions, once in the EFS, determine what files and/or database(s) a user may access.</li> <li>3. Commission rules (29 C.F.R. § 2200.8(c)(6), (d)(5)) minimize the amount of PII in documents that are admitted into evidence.</li> <li>4. Safeguards described above and in the SORN are in place to minimize the likelihood of a breach.</li> <li>5. OSHRC has a breach policy in place to mitigate damage caused by any incursion into the system.</li> </ol>
<p>b. PII—mostly contact data—is entered into EFS for registration purposes.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Those using the EFS enter their own contact data, increasing the likelihood that the data is accurate.</li> <li>2. Safeguards described above and in the SORN are in place to minimize the likelihood of a breach.</li> <li>3. OSHRC has a breach policy in place to mitigate damage caused by any incursion into the system.</li> </ol>

9.2 What is the projected production/implementation date for the information system(s) or database(s):

Initial implementation: *Already implemented.*

Secondary implementation: N/A

Tertiary implementation: N/A

Other implementation: N/A

9.3 Are there any ancillary and/or auxiliary information system(s) or database(s) linked to this information system that are covered by this SORN, which may also require a PIA?

Yes

No

If so, please state the application(s), if a PIA has been done, and the completion date for PIA: