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This is a Comment on the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Notice: Recordkeeping and Reporting Occupational Injuries and Illnesses; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

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Comment

The proposal to extend the reporting, recordkeeping and publishing of company OSHA data is not in the best interest of continued economic growth or improvement in safe working conditions. As the OSHA recordable rules are far from concrete and confusing even to the practitioners, the majority of the general public will likely not understand the data they are reviewing. This will result in negative feelings towards facilities or companies whose severity of injuries may be considerably less than facilities or companies with similar records but increased severity levels. Additionally it will serve as advertising to trial lawyers to file yet more lawsuits against companies increasing the costs to continue manufacturing in the US.