INTRODUCTION

Schedule Overview

Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) was established pursuant to the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970. OSHA's role is to promote the safety and health of America's working men and women by setting and enforcing standards; providing training, outreach and education; establishing partnerships; and encouraging continual process improvement in workplace safety and health. This schedule covers records created as a result of OSHA involvement in disaster assistance, in particular documents that may permit post-response evaluation or planning for future responses.

Additional Background Information

These records are largely administrative in nature. They do not document investigative or enforcement activities. Records of major policy changes or training products are maintained elsewhere.

Overall Recommendation

I recommend approval of this schedule.

APPRaisal

Item 0001: Emergency Response Files/Documents related to events requiring OSHA response/inspections and coordination with other Federal agencies or entities, including reports, notes, sampling, administrative forms, training materials for use by OSHA staff in documenting activities or preparing for future events.

Proposed Disposition: Temporary
Appropriateness of Proposed Disposition: Appropriate

Appraisal Justification:

*Has little or no research value.

*Does not document the significant actions of Federal Officials

*Electronic format does not enhance the value of the records

*Policy directives and issuances for regional programs are scheduled as permanent at the headquarters level in NC-100-76-1, item 133. Regional Office originated directives are scheduled as permanent in NC1-100-77-1, item 36.

Adequacy of Proposed Retention Period(s)

*Adequate from standpoint of legal rights and accountability

Media Neutrality: Approved