to conduct examinations of slope and shaft areas for hazardous conditions, including tests for methane and oxygen deficiency, within 90 minutes before each shift, once during each shift, and before and after blasting. The surface area surrounding each slope and shaft is also required to be inspected for hazards.

The standard also requires that a record be kept of the results of the inspections. The record includes a description of any hazardous condition found and the corrective action taken to abate it. The record is necessary to ensure that the inspections and tests are conducted in a timely fashion and that corrective action is taken when hazardous conditions are identified, thereby ensuring a safe working environment for the slope and shaft sinking employees. The record is maintained at the mine site for the duration of the operation.

The records are used by slope and shaft supervisors and employees, State mine inspectors, and Federal mine inspectors. The records show that the examinations and tests were conducted and give insight into the hazardous conditions that have been encountered and those that may be encountered. The records of inspections greatly assist those who use them in making decisions that will ultimately affect the safety and health of slope and shaft sinking employees.

Ira I. Mills, Departmental Clearance Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration

136th Full Council Meeting: Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans; Notice of Meeting


The meeting will run from 10:00 a.m. to approximately 4:00 p.m., with a break for lunch. The morning session will take place in Room S4215 A–B, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. The afternoon session will take place in Room S–2508 at the same address, beginning at 1:30 p.m. The purpose of the open meeting is for the chairpersons of the three Working Groups to submit reports on their study topics for the full Advisory Council’s review and acceptance, and for the Council to present a summary of the reports to the Secretary of Labor.

Organizations or members of the public wishing to submit a written statement pertaining to any topic under consideration by the Advisory Council may do so by submitting 20 copies to Larry Good, Executive Secretary, ERISA Advisory Council, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N–5623, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. Statements received on or before October 31, 2006 will be included in the record of the meeting. Individuals or representatives of organizations wishing to address the Advisory Council should forward their request to the Executive Secretary at the above address or via telephone at (202) 693–8668. Oral presentations will be limited to 10 minutes, but an extended statement may be submitted for the record. Individuals with disabilities who need special accommodations should contact Larry Good by October 31 at the address indicated in this notice.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 16th day of October, 2006.

Ann L. Combs, Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employee Benefits Security Administration


Pursuant to the authority contained in section 512 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), 29 U.S.C. 1142, a public meeting will be held on November 7, 2006 of the Working Groups assigned by the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans to study the issues of (1) plan asset rules, exemptions and cross trading, (2) a procedurally prudent investment process, and (3) health information technology.

The sessions will take place in Room S4215 A–B, U.S. Department of Labor,
Friday, October 27, 2006, 2 p.m.
1. Provision for the Delivery of Legal Services Committee (Provisions Committee);
2. Operations & Regulations Committee.

Saturday, October 28, 2006, 8:30 a.m.
1. Annual Performance Reviews Committee (Performance Reviews Committee);
2. Finance Committee;
3. Board of Directors.

LOCATION: The Charleston Marriott Town Center, 200 Lee Street East, Charleston, West Virginia.

STATUS OF MEETINGS: Open, except as noted below.
• Status: October 28, 2006 Board of Directors Meeting—Open, except that a portion of the meeting of the Board of Directors may be closed to the public pursuant to a vote of the Board of Directors to hold an executive session. At the closed session, the Board will consider and may act on the General Counsel’s report on litigation to which the Corporation is or may become a party, consider and may act on a report from outside counsel on litigation involving LSC in the states of New York and Oregon, receive a briefing from the Inspector General (IG), receive a briefing from management on issues resulting from the Office of Inspector General’s investigation of California Rural Legal Assistance, and may consider and may act on the report of the Annual Performance Reviews Committee on its plans for conducting the performance review of the LSC President and Inspector General. The closing is authorized by the relevant provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act [5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(10)] and LSC’s implementing regulation 45 CFR 1622.5(h). A copy of the General Counsel’s Certification that the closing is authorized by law will be available upon request.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Friday, October 27, 2006.

LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meetings of the Board of Directors and Four of the Board’s Committees

TIMES AND DATES: The Legal Services Corporation Board of Directors and four of its Committees will meet on October 27 and 28, 2006 in the order set forth in the following schedule, with each subsequent meeting commencing shortly after adjournment of the prior meeting. The agenda for the October 28, 2006 meeting of the Annual Performance Reviews Committee will be announced in a separate public notice.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

1. Approval of agenda.
2. Approval of the Committee’s meeting minutes of July 28, 2006.
3. Presentation by Legal Aid of West Virginia (LAWV) on model domestic violence partnership project.

Presenters: Adrienne Worthy, LAWV Executive Director. Elizabeth Wehner, LAWV and Partnership Attorney, Angie Rosser, West Virginia Coalition Against Domestic Violence staff and LAWV coordinator.

This presentation will showcase LAWV’s highly successful statewide partnership, a national model for collaboration. The presenters will particularly focus on how joint strategic planning and combined resources have led to better and increased services for victims of domestic violence in a predominately rural service area and ways in which they have involved the private bar in this partnership.
4. Staff presentation on highlights of the 2006 private attorney involvement panel presentations and preliminary thoughts for consideration.
5. Public comment.
6. Consider and act on other business.
7. Consider and act on adjournment of meeting.

Operations & Regulations Committee
October 27, 2006
Agenda
Open Session
1. Approval of agenda.
2. Approval of the minutes of the Committee’s July 28, 2006 meeting.
3. Consider and act on Draft Final Rule to revising 45 CFR part 1624,
Prohibition Against Discrimination on the Basis of Handicap.
   a. Staff report.
   b. Public comment.
4. Consider and act on Draft Final Rule to revising 45 CFR part 1621,
Client Grievance Procedure.
   a. Staff report.
   b. Public comment.
5. Consider and act on Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Improvement Plan and Resolution #2006-014.
6. Staff report on history of regulatory activity since 1996.
   a. Staff report on dormant class action cases.
8. Other public comment.
9. Consider and act on other business.
10. Consider and act on adjournment of meeting.

Saturday, October 28, 2006
Performance Reviews Committee
Agenda
(The agenda for this meeting will be published separately in the Federal Register.)

Finance Committee
Agenda
1. Approval of agenda.