

Section 16.4 requires a national bank to submit certain communications not deemed an offer to the OCC.

Section 16.5 provides an exemption for items that satisfy the requirements of SEC Rule 144, which, in turn, requires certain filings.

Section 16.6 requires a national bank to file documents with the OCC and to make certain disclosures to purchasers in sales of nonconvertible debt.

Section 16.7 requires a national bank to file a notice with the OCC.

Section 16.8 requires a national bank to file offering documents with the OCC.

Section 16.15 requires a national bank to file a registration statement and sets forth content requirements for the registration statement.

Section 16.17 requires a national bank to file four copies of each document filed under part 16, and requires filers of amendments or revisions to underline or otherwise indicate clearly any changed information.

Section 16.18 requires a national bank to file an amended prospectus when the information in the current prospectus becomes stale, or when a change in circumstances makes the current prospectus incorrect.

Section 16.19 requires a national bank to submit a request to the OCC if it wishes to withdraw a registration statement, amendment, or exhibit.

Section 16.20 requires a national bank to file current and periodic reports as required by sections 12 and 13 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78l and m) and SEC Regulation 15d (17 CFR 240.15d-1 through 240.15Aa-1).

Section 16.30 requires a national bank to include certain elements and follow certain procedures in any request to the OCC for a no-objection letter.

These information collection requirements ensure bank compliance with applicable Federal law, further bank safety and soundness, provide protections for banks, and further public policy interests.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 101.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 101.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 2,333 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper

performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and

(e) Estimates of capital or startup costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Dated: February 12, 2002.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[INTL-121-90, INTL-292-90, and INTL-361-89]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning existing final regulations INTL-121-90 (TD 8733), INTL-292-90 (TD 8305), and INTL-361-89 (TD 8292), Treaty-Based Return Positions (§§ 301.6114-1 and 301.7701(b)-7).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 22, 2002 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to George Freeland, Internal Revenue Service, room 5575, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-

3945, or through the internet (CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov.), Internal Revenue Service, room 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Treaty-Based Return Positions.

OMB Number: 1545-1126.

Regulation Project Numbers: INTL-121-90, INTL-292-90, and INTL-361-89.

Abstract: Regulation section 301.6114-1 sets forth reporting requirements under Code section 6114 relating to treaty-based return positions. Persons or entities subject to these reporting requirements must make the required disclosure on a statement attached to their return or be subject to a penalty. Regulation section 301.7701(b)-7(a)(4)(iv)(C) sets forth the reporting requirement for dual resident S corporation shareholders who claim treaty benefits as nonresidents of the U.S. Persons subject to this reporting requirement must enter into an agreement with the S corporation to withhold tax pursuant to procedures prescribed by the Commissioner.

Current Actions: There is no change to these existing regulations.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, and business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,020.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1 hr.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,015.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate

of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: February 11, 2002.

George Freeland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[LR-218-78]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing final regulation, LR-218-78 (TD 8096), Product Liability Losses and Accumulations for Product Liability Losses (Section 1.172-13).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 22, 2002, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to George Freeland, Internal Revenue Service, room 5575, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Larnice Mack (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov), Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Product Liability Losses and Accumulations for Product Liability Losses.

OMB Number: 1545-0863.

Regulation Project Number: LR-218-78.

Abstract: Generally, a taxpayer who sustains a product liability loss must carry the loss back 10 years. However, a taxpayer may elect to have such loss treated as a regular net operating loss under section 172. The election is made by attaching a statement to the tax return. This statement will enable the IRS to monitor compliance with the statutory requirements.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,500.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

Request for Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[PS-39-89]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing notice of proposed rulemaking, Limitation on Passive Activity Losses and Credits—Treatment of Self-Charged Items of Income and Expense (Section 1.469-7(f)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before April 22, 2002, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to George Freeland, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Larnice Mack (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov), Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Limitation on Passive Activity Losses and Credits—Treatment of Self-Charged Items of Income and Expense.

OMB Number: 1545-1244.

Regulation Project Number: PS-39-89.

Abstract: Section 1.469-7(f)(1) of this regulation permits entities to elect to avoid application of the regulation in the event the passthrough entity chooses to not have the income from lending transactions with owners of interests in the entity recharacterized as passive activity gross income. The IRS will use