

the President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2005, in the Washington DC area and will begin at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The venue has not been identified to date. Venue information will be posted on the Panel's Web site at <http://www.taxreformpanel.gov> as soon as it is available.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Panel staff at (202) 927-2TAX (927-2829) (not a toll-free call) or email info@taxreformpanel.gov (please do not send comments to this box). Additional information is available at <http://www.taxreformpanel.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Purpose:* The May 17 meeting is the ninth meeting of the Advisory Panel. At this meeting, the Panel will continue to evaluate specific proposals for reform of the tax code.

Comments: Interested parties are invited to attend the meeting; however, no public comments will be heard at the meeting. Any written comments with respect to this meeting may be mailed to The President's Advisory Panel on Federal Tax Reform, 1440 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 2100, Washington, DC 20220. All written comments will be made available to the public.

Records: Records are being kept of Advisory Panel proceedings and will be available at the Internal Revenue Service's FOIA Reading Room at 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 1621, Washington, DC 20024. The Reading Room is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday except holidays. The public entrance to the reading room is on Pennsylvania Avenue between 10th and 12th streets. The phone number is (202) 622-5164 (not a toll-free number). Advisory Panel documents, including meeting announcements, agendas, and minutes, will also be available on <http://www.taxreformpanel.gov>.

Dated: April 28, 2005.

Mark S. Kaizen,

Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG-251701-96]

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, REG-251701-96 (TD 8894), Electing Small Business Trusts.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 1, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6510, 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 at Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet at (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Electing Small Business Trusts.
OMB Number: 1545-1591.
Regulation Project Number: REG-251701-96.

Abstract: This regulation provides the rules for an electing small business trust (ESBT), which is a permitted shareholder of and S corporation. With respect to the collections of information, the regulations provide the rules for making an ESBT election, and the rules for converting from a qualified subchapter S trust (QSST) to an ESBT and the conversion of an ESBT to a QSST. The regulations allow certain S corporations to reinstate their previous taxable year that was terminated under § 1.444-2T by filing Form 8716.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7,500.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,500.

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.

Approved: April 22, 2005.

Glenn Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC); Nominations

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service, Department of Treasury

ACTION: Request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) requests nominations of individuals to be considered for selection as Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC) members. Interested parties may nominate themselves and/or at least one other qualified person for membership. Nominations will be accepted for current vacancies and should describe and document the applicants' qualifications for membership. IRPAC can be comprised of no more than twenty-three (23) members and currently consists of seventeen (17) members. It is important that the IRPAC

continue to represent a diverse taxpayer and stakeholder base. Accordingly, to maintain membership diversity, selection is based on applicant's qualifications as well as the segment or group he/she represents.

The Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC) advises the IRS on information reporting issues of mutual concern to the private sector and the federal government. The committee works with the Commissioner and other IRS executives to provide recommendations on a wide range of information reporting administration issues. Membership is balanced to include representation from the tax professional community, small and large businesses, state tax administration, and the payroll community.

DATES: Written nominations must be received on or before June 30, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to Ms. Caryl Grant, National Public Liaison, CL:NPL:SRM, Room 7566 IR, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, Attn: IRPAC Nominations; or by e-mail:

public_liaison@irs.gov. Applications may be submitted by mail to the address above or faxed to 202-622-8345.

However, if submitted via a facsimile, the original application must be received by mail, as National Public Liaison cannot consider an applicant nor process his/her application prior to receipt of an original signature. Application packages are available on the Tax Professional's Page, which is located on the IRS Internet Web site at <http://www.irs.gov/taxpros/index.html>. Application packages may also be requested by telephone from National Public Liaison, 202-927-3641 (not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Caryl Grant, 202-927-3641 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: IRPAC was established in 1991 in response to an administrative recommendation in the final Conference Report of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989. Since its inception IRPAC has worked closely with the IRS to provide recommendations on a wide range of issues intended to improve the information reporting program and achieve fairness to taxpayers. IRPAC members are drawn from and represent a broad sample of the payer community, including major professional and trade associations, colleges and universities, and state taxing agencies.

Conveying the public's perception of IRS activities to the Commissioner, the IRPAC is comprised of individuals who

bring substantial, disparate experience and diverse backgrounds on the Committee's activities. Membership is balanced to include representation from the taxpaying public, the tax professional community, small and large businesses, state tax administration, and the payroll community.

IRPAC members are appointed by the Commissioner and serve a term of three years. The Commissioner determines the size of the IRPAC and the organizations represented on the Committee. Working groups mirror the reorganized IRS and address policies and administration issues specific to the four Operating Divisions. Members are not paid for their services. However, travel expenses for working sessions, public meetings and orientation sessions, such as airfare, per diem, and transportation to and from airports, train stations, etc., are reimbursed within prescribed federal travel limitations.

Receipt of nominations will be acknowledged, nominated individuals contacted, and immediately thereafter, biographical information must be completed and returned to Ms. Caryl Grant in National Public Liaison within fifteen (15) days of receipt. In accordance with Department of Treasury Directive 21-03, a clearance process including, preappointment and annual tax checks, a Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal and subversive name check, and a security clearance will be conducted.

Equal opportunity practices will be followed for all appointments to the IRPAC in accordance with the Department of Treasury and IRS policies. To ensure that the recommendations of the IRPAC have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the IRS, membership shall include individuals who demonstrate the ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Dated: April 20, 2005.

Cynthia Vanderpool,
Designated Federal Official, National Public Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Earned Income Tax Credit Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Earned Income Tax Credit Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Committee will be discussing issues pertaining to the IRS administration of the Earned Income Tax Credit.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, May 19, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Audrey Y. Jenkins at 1-888-912-1227 (toll-free), or (718) 488-2085 (non toll-free).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Earned Income Tax Credit Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Thursday, May 19, 2005 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. e.t. via a telephone conference call. The public is invited to make oral comments. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made in advance by contacting Audrey Y. Jenkins. To confirm attendance or for more information, Ms. Jenkins may be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or (718) 488-2085. If you would like a written statement to be considered, send written comments to Audrey Y. Jenkins, TAP Office, 10 MetroTech Center, 625 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201 or post your comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include various IRS issues.

Dated: April 22, 2005.

Martha Curry,
Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia)

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting