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**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: October 17, 2005.

**Glenn P. Kirkland,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form A

**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 Form A, Qualifications & Availability Form.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 23, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, (202) 622-3634, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224 or through the Internet at [RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov](mailto:RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Qualifications & Availability.

**OMB Number:** 1545-1681.

**Form Number:** Form A.

**Abstract:** Form A is used by external applicants applying for clerical and technical positions with the Internal Revenue Service. Applicants will complete information relating to their address, job preference, veteran's preference and a series of occupational questions, knowledge and skills along with background information.

**Current Actions:** There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

**Type of Review:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Affected Public:** Individuals.

**Estimated Number of Responses:** 90,000.

**Estimated Time Per Response:** 30 minutes.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 45,000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[FI-27-89; FI-61-91]

#### 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 an existing final regulations, FI-27-89 (TD 8366), Real Estate Mortgage Conduits; Reporting Requirements and Other Administrative Matters, and FI-61-91 (TD 8431), Allocation of Allocable Investment Expense; Original Issue Discount Reporting Requirements (§§ 1.67-3, 1.860D-4, 1.860F-4, 1.6049-4 and 1.6049-7).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 23, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of this regulation should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through

the Internet, at  
(Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* FI-27-89, Real Estate Mortgage Investment Conduits; Reporting Requirements and Other Administrative Matters, and FI-61-91, Allocation of Allocable Investment Expense; Original Issue Discount Reporting Requirements.  
*OMB Number:* 1545-1018.

*Regulation Project Number:* FI-27-89 and FI-61-91.

*Abstract:* The regulations prescribe the manner in which an entity elects to be taxed as a real estate mortgage investment conduit (REMIC) and the filing requirements for REMICs and certain brokers.

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

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 655.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hour, 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 978.

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Approved: October 11, 2005.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

### **Internal Revenue Service**

**[FI-165-84]**

#### **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 an existing notice of proposed rulemaking, FI-165-84, Below-Market Loans (§§ 1.7872-11(g)(l) and 1.7872-11(g)(3)).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 23, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at the Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at [Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov](mailto:Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Below-Market Loans.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0913.

*Regulation Project Number:* FI-165-84 (Notice of Proposed Rulemaking).

*Abstract:* Internal Revenue Code section 7872 recharacterizes a below-market loan as a market rate loan and an additional transfer by the lender to the borrower equal to the amount of imputed interest. The regulation requires both the lender and the borrower to attach a statement to their respective income tax returns for years in which they have imputed income or claim imputed deductions under Code section 7872.

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

*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:* 1,631,202.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 18 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 481,722.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

### **Disruption of Mail Service**

October 18, 2005.

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice of exception to date of receipt.

**SUMMARY:** On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina came through the