comments is desired, include a selfaddressed stamped postcard showing the exemption number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the applications are available for inspection in the Dockets Unit,

Room 8426, Nassif Building, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC.

Application No.	Docket No.	Applicant	Modification of exemption
9706–M 9909–M 10047–M 11986–M		Taylor-Wharton, Harrisburg, PA (See Footnote 1) Taylor-Wharton, Harrisburg, PA (See Footnote 2) Taylor-Wharton, Harrisburg, PA (See Footnote 3) Taylor-Wharton, Harrisburg, PA (See Footnote 4) U.S. Department of Defense, Falls Church, VA (See Footnote 5) U.S. Department of Defense, Falls Church, VA (See Footnote 6)	9706 9909 10047 11986

¹To modify the exemption to authorize the use of ultrasonic inspection in lieu of hydrostatic pressure test and internal visual inspection of non-DOT specification cylinders for use in transporting certain Division 2.1, 2.2 gases and Division 6.1 materials.

2To modify the exemption to authorize the use of ultrasonic inspection in lieu of hydrostatic pressure test and internal visual inspection of non-

DOT specification cylinders for use in transporting certain Division 2.1, 2.2 gases and Division 6.1 materials.

3 To modify the exemption to provide for the use of ultrasporting certain Division 6.1 materials.

non-DOT specification steel cylinders for use in transporting Division 2.1 and 2.2 gases

⁴To modify the exemption to provide for ultrasonic inspection in lieu of hydrostatic pressure test and internal visual inspection of non-DOT specification cylinder used for transporting certain hazardous materials.

⁵To reissue the exemption originally issued on an emergency basis to authorize the stowage of Division 1.2, explosives in freight containers below deck aboard large, medium speed, roll-on/roll-off vessels.

⁶To reissue the exemption originally issued on an emergency basis from segregation requirements aboard vessels transporting explosive material.

This notice of receipt of applications for modification of exemptions is published in accordance with part 107 of the Hazardous Materials Transportations Act (49 U.S.C. 1806; 49 CFR 1.53(e)).

Issued in Washington, DC, on January 7, 1998.

J. Suzanne Hedgepeth,

Director, Office of Hazardous Materials, Exemptions and Approvals. [FR Doc. 98-760 Filed 1-12-98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-60-M

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission to OMB for Review; **Comment Request**

December 31, 1997.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0732. Regulation Project Number: LR-236-81 Final (TD 8251).

Type of Review: Extension. Title: Credit for Increasing Research Activity.

Description: This information is necessary to comply with requirements of Code section 41 (section 44F before change by Tax Reform Act 1984 and section 30 before change by Tax Reform Act of 1986) which describes the situations in which a taxpayer is entitled to an income tax credit for increases in research activity.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 250.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 63 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1418.

Regulation Project Number: PS-52-93 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Gasoline and Diesel Fuel Excise Tax; Registration Requirements.

Description: Diesel fuel traders must notify their terminal operators of their registration status. Diesel fuel retailers must notify their customers who buy dyed diesel fuel.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Individuals or households, Farms, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 322,550.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: Varies. Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting/ Recordkeeping Burden: 36,885 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1450. Regulation Project Number: FI-59-91 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Debt Instruments With Original Issue Discount; Contingent Payments, Anti-Abuse Rule.

Description: The regulations provide definitions, general rules, and reporting requirements for debt instruments that provide for contingent payments. The regulations also provide definitions, general rules, and recordkeeping requirements for integrated debt instruments.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Individuals or households, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 180,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/ Recordkeeping Burden: 89,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1451.

Regulation Project Number: REG-

248900–96 Final (Formerly FI-72-88).

Type of Review: Extension. *Title:* Definition of Private Activity

Bonds.

Description: Section 103 provides generally that interest on certain State or local bonds is excluded from gross income. However, under sections 103(b)(1) and 141, interest on private activity bonds (other than qualified bonds) is not excluded. The regulations provided rules, for purposes of section 141, necessary to determine how bond proceeds are measured and used and how debt service for those bonds is paid or secured.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 10,100.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 2 hours, 59 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting/
Recordkeeping Burden: 30,100 hours.

OMB Number: 1545–1557.

Revenue Procedure Number: Revenue Procedure 97–47.

Type of Review: Extension.
Title: Form 941 ELF Program.
Description: Procedure 97–47
provides guidance and the requirements
for participating in the Electronic Filing
Program for Form 941.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 200.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 46 hours, 32 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion. Estimated Total Reporting/ Recordkeeping Burden: 9,305 hours.

Clearance Officer: Garrick Shear, (202) 622–3869, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20224.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–719 Filed 1–12–98; 8:45 am]
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 2, 1998.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Special Request: In order to begin the survey described below in mid-January 1998, the Department of the Treasury is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review and approve this information collection

by January 6, 1998. To obtain a copy of this study, please contact the Internal Revenue Service Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545–1432. Project Number: M:SP:V 97–030–G. Type of Review: Revision. Title: Coordinated Examination Program Taxpayer Survey Initiative.

Description: Coordinated Examination Program (CEP) Peer Review has changed from a process review of closed cases to a multi-phased quality review that will focus upon all aspects of a CEP examination. The on-site review will now focus solely on determining the quality of issue development rather than measuring the CEP process. The reports will be formatted into a CEP auditing standards outline. The four-phase approach will enable the IRS to maintain and build upon its benchmark data while expanding the issue review aspects of the Peer Review. The four phases are: (1) data analysis of closed cases; (2) in-depth issue review; (3) case manager self-assessment; and (4) taxpayer/stakeholder input.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,600.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (one-time only).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 800 hours.

Clearance Officer: Garrick Shear, (202) 622–3869, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20224.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–720 Filed 1–12–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4830–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 6, 1998.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance

Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

Departmental Offices/Office of Foreign Assets Control

OMB Number: 1505–0164.
Form Number: None.
Type of Review: Extension.
Title: Reporting and Procedures
Regulations.

Description: These regulations consolidate and standardize information collections currently authorized under individual parts of 31 CFR chapter V, and add new reporting requirements relating to blocked assets, rejected and retained funds transfers, and litigation, as well as procedures involving unblocking of funds and removal from the list of designated persons and blocked vessels.

Respondents: Business or other forprofit, Individuals or households, Notfor-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 8,500.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 1 hour, 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/ Recordkeeping Burden: 10,625 hours. Clearance Officer: Lois K. Holland, (202) 622–1563, Departmental Offices, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

Departmental Reports Management Officer. [FR Doc. 98–721 Filed 1–12–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4810–25–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Voluntary Customer Surveys

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, Customs invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning Voluntary Customer Surveys. This request for