#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

#### Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

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# Allocation and Reporting of Mortgage Insurance Premiums

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking by cross-reference to temporary regulations.

**SUMMARY:** In the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the Federal **Register**, the IRS is issuing temporary regulations relating to prepaid qualified mortgage insurance premiums. The temporary regulations reflect changes to the law made by the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006 and the Mortgage Forgiveness Debt Relief Act of 2007. The temporary regulations explain how to allocate prepaid qualified mortgage insurance premiums to determine the amount of the prepaid premium that is treated as qualified residence interest each taxable year under section 163(h)(4)(F) of the Internal Revenue Code (Code). The temporary regulations also provide guidance to reporting entities receiving premiums, including prepaid premiums, for mortgage insurance. The text of those temporary regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations.

**DATES:** Written or electronic comments and requests for a public hearing must be received by August 5, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send submissions to: CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG—107271—08), Room 5203, Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Submissions may be hand delivered Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to: CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG—107271—08), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, or sent electronically via the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov (IRS REG—107271—08).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Concerning the proposed regulations, Angella Warren (202) 622–4950; concerning submission of comments or a request for a public hearing, Funmi Taylor at (202) 622–7180 (not toll-free numbers).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Background and Explanation of Provisions**

Temporary regulations in the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the **Federal Register** amend the regulations under 26 CFR Part 1 relating to sections 163(h) and 6050H(h). The temporary regulations add rules relating to the proper allocation of prepaid qualified mortgage insurance premiums and provide guidance to reporting entities receiving mortgage insurance premiums. The text of those temporary regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations. The preamble to the temporary regulations explains the amendments.

### **Special Analyses**

It has been determined that this notice of proposed rulemaking is not a significant regulatory action as defined in Executive Order 12866. Therefore, a regulatory assessment is not required. It also has been determined that section 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 5) does not apply to these regulations. Because the regulations do not impose a collection of information on small entities, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 6) does not apply. Pursuant to section 7805(f) of the Code, these regulations have been submitted to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration for comment on its impact on small business.

# Comments and Requests for a Public Hearing

Before these proposed regulations are adopted as final regulations, consideration will be given to any written (a signed original and eight (8) copies) or electronic comments that are submitted timely to the IRS. The IRS and the Treasury Department request comments on the clarity of the proposed rules and how they can be made easier to understand. All comments will be available for public inspection and copying.

A public hearing will be scheduled if requested in writing by any person that timely submits comments. If a public hearing is scheduled, notice of the date, time and place for the public hearing will be published in the **Federal Register**.

#### **Drafting Information**

The principal author of these regulations is Angella Warren, Office of the Associate Chief Counsel (Income Tax and Accounting). However, other personnel from the IRS and the Treasury Department participated in their development.

### List of Subjects in 26 CFR Part 1

Income taxes, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

## Proposed Amendments to the Regulations

Accordingly, 26 CFR part 1 is proposed to be amended as follows:

### **PART 1—INCOME TAXES**

**Paragraph 1.** The authority citation for part 1 continues to read in part as follows:

**Authority:** 26 U.S.C. 7805 \* \* \*

**Par. 2.** Section 1.163–11 is added to read as follows:

### §1.163–11 Allocation of certain prepaid qualified mortgage insurance premiums.

[The text of this section is the same as the text of § 1.163–11T(a) through (d) published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**].

**Par. 3.** Section 1.6050H–3 is added to read as follows:

## § 1.6050H–3 Information reporting of mortgage insurance premiums.

[The text of this section is the same as the text of § 1.6050H–3T(a) through (e) published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**].

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 52

[EPA-R05-OAR-2008-0812; FRL-8902-3]

### Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Ohio; Volatile Organic Compound Emission Control Measures for Cleveland

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: On March 23, 2009, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) submitted several volatile organic compound (VOC) rules for approval into the State Implementation Plan (SIP). The purpose of these rules is to satisfy the VOC reasonably available control technology (RACT) requirement for the Cleveland-Akron 8-hour ozone nonattainment area. These rules are approvable because they satisfy the control and enforceability requirements of RACT, including Ohio's requirement