

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service**

[INTL-45-86]

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 regulation, INTL-45-86 (TD 8125), Foreign Management and Foreign Economic Processes Requirements of a Foreign Sales Corporation (§ 1.924).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before August 20, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the internet at (Larnice.Mack@irs.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Foreign Management and Foreign Economic Processes Requirements of a Foreign Sales Corporation.

OMB Number: 1545-0904.

Regulation Project Number: INTL-45-86.

Abstract: This regulation provides rules for complying with foreign management and foreign economic process requirements to enable foreign sales corporations to produce foreign trading gross receipts and qualify for reduced tax rates. Section 1.924(d)-1(b)(2) of the regulation requires that records must be kept to verify that the necessary activities were performed outside the United States.

Current Actions: There is no change 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: 11,001.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,001.

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: June 14, 2004.

Glenn Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service**

[REG-116608-97]

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 regulation, REG-116608-97 EIC Eligibility Requirements (§ 1.32-3).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before August 20, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the for and instructions should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at *Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: EIC Eligibility Requirements.

OMB Number: 1545-1575.

Regulation Project Number: REG-116608-97.

Abstract: Under Section 1.32-3, this regulation provides guidance to taxpayers who have been denied the earned income credit (EIC) as a result of the deficiency procedures and wish to claim the EIC in a subsequent year. The regulation applies to taxpayers claiming the EIC for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1996.

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

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Hours: 1.

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

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