

Hazmat Intelligence Portal (HIP)

The Hazmat Intelligence Portal (HIP) provides an integrated information source to identify hazardous material safety trends through the analysis of incident and accident information. This information repository supports all transportation modes, data analysts, field inspectors, and team leaders. HIP includes several hazardous materials data points (e.g., Incidents from the 5800 report, PHMSA registrations, approvals, cargo tank registrations, EPA toxic release inventory, inspection/reviews, NRC incidents, one time movements, penalties, PHMSA complains, RAM certifications, USCG releases, and violations). HIP data is organized on customized Dashboards to provide data pertinent to the mode, agency, office or group utilizing the system. The Dashboards are customized for each user or user group. HIP is not searchable by the general public due to privacy concerns.

Safety and Fitness Electronic Records (SAFER)

FMCSA's SAFER System provides company safety data and related services to the industry and public. SAFER's Company Snapshot is an electronic record of a carrier's identification, size commodity information, and safety records, including the safety rating (if any), a roadside out-of-service inspection summary, and crash information. SAFER is publicly searchable and can be found at: <http://safer.fmcsa.dot.gov/CompanySnapshot.aspx>

Criteria Used by PHMSA in Determining Initial Fitness

The following criteria are currently used by PHMSA when determining minimum level of fitness. Applicants that fall below the following criteria are considered fit. Applicants that meet one or more of the following criteria require further review by Field Operations. **Note:** These Applicants are not considered unfit.

HIP:

- Incidents Criteria
 - More than 30 total hazardous materials incidents involving 172.504 table 2; or
 - More than one serious hazardous materials incident.
- Civil Cases Criteria
 - Four civil enforcement cases;
 - Four warning letters;
 - A combination totaling four civil enforcement cases and/or warning letters; or
 - Any open cases.

SAFER:

- Motor Carrier Safety Rating of "unsatisfactory";
- HazMat out-of-service percentage greater than the national average;*
- Driver out-of-service percentage greater than two times the national average;*
- Vehicle out-of-service percentage greater than two times the national average.*

* Note that if the Applicant has been inspected less than ten times or the Applicant has only one out-of-service, the data should not be considered statistical significant and the Applicant will not be considered in need of further review.

II. Purpose of Public Meeting

The August 19, 2010 meeting is intended to provide an opportunity for all interested parties to comment on the aspects of the Minimum Level of Fitness Determination criteria. During this meeting, PHMSA is soliciting comments relative to the use of HIP and SAFER data, applicability of the data, criteria used in determining an applicant's minimum level of fitness, potential alternative sources of fitness data, and other appropriate matters.

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Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Office of the Secretary****List of Countries Requiring Cooperation With an International Boycott**

In accordance with section 999(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, the Department of the Treasury is publishing a current list of countries which require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

On the basis of the best information currently available to the Department of the Treasury, the following countries require or may require participation in, or cooperation with, an international boycott (within the meaning of section 999(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

Kuwait
Lebanon
Libya

Qatar
Saudi Arabia
Syria
United Arab Emirates
Yemen, Republic of

Iraq is not included in this list, but its status with respect to future lists remains under review by the Department of the Treasury.

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Manal Corwin,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service**

[REG-155608-02]

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 final regulation, REG-155608-02, Revised Regulations Concerning Section 403(b) Tax-Sheltered Annuity Contracts.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 27, 2010 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Gerald Shields, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Allan Hopkins at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-6665, or through the Internet at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Revised Regulations Concerning Section 403(b) Tax-Sheltered Annuity Contracts.

OMB Number: 1545-2068.

Regulation Project Number: REG-155608-02.

Abstract: The collection of information in the regulations is in § 1.403(b)–10(b)(2) of the Income Tax Regulations, requiring, in the case of certain exchanges or transfers, that the section 403(b) plan sponsor or administrator enter into an agreement to exchange certain information with vendors of section 403(b) contracts. Such information exchange is necessary to ensure compliance with tax law requirements relating to loans and hardship distributions from section 403(b) plans.

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

Type of Review: Extension of a previously approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, state, local or tribal governments, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 11,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 4.1 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 45,000.

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: July 6, 2010.

Gerald Shields,

Supervisory Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG–149524–03]

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 proposed regulation, REG–149524–03, (NPRM) LIFO Recapture Under Section 1363(d).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 27, 2010 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Gerald Shields, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulations should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622–6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: (NPRM) LIFO Recapture Under Section 1363(d)

OMB Number: 1545–1906.

Regulation Project Number: REG–149524–03.

Abstract: Section 1.1363–2(e)(ii) allows a partnership to elect to adjust the basis of its inventory to take account of LIFO recapture. Section 1.1363–2(e)(3) provides guidance on how to make this election.

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 and Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 100.

Estimated Time Per Respondent/Recordkeeper: 2 hrs.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden Hours: 200.

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.

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Gerald Shields,

Supervisory Tax Analyst.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG–138176–02]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.