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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Fiscal Service

Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds—Terminations: Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company (The), Chartwell Insurance Company, GE Reinsurance Corporation, Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company, Insurance Corporation of New York (The), Pacific Insurance Company, Limited, Preferred National Insurance Company, SAFECO Insurance Company of Illinois, SAFECO National Insurance Company, SCOR Reinsurance Company, Sentinel Insurance Company, LTD, Travelers Indemnity Company of America (THE), Travelers Indemnity Company of Connecticut (The), Travelers Indemnity Company of Illinois (The), Trumbull Insurance Company, Twin City Fire Insurance Company, Underwriters Reinsurance Company

AGENCY: Financial Management Service, Fiscal Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is Supplement No. 23 to the Treasury Department Circular 570; 2000 Revision, published June 30, 2000, at 64 FR 35864.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Surety Bond Branch at (202) 874-6850.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the Certificates of Authority issued by the Treasury to the above named Companies, under the United States Code, Title 31, Sections 9304-9308, to qualify as acceptable sureties on Federal bonds was terminated effective June 30, 2001.

The Companies were last listed as acceptable sureties on Federal bonds at 65 FR starting on page 40868, June 30, 2000.

With respect to any bonds currently in force with above listed Companies, bond-approving officers may let such bonds run to expiration and need not secure new bonds. However, no new bonds should be accepted from these Companies. In addition, bonds that are

continuous in nature should not be renewed.

The Circular may be viewed and downloaded through the Internet at <http://www.fms.treas.gov/c570/index.html>. A hard copy may be purchased from the Government Printing Office (GPO), Subscription Service, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 512-1800. When ordering the Circular from GPO, use the following stock number: 48000-00527-6.

Questions concerning this notice may be directed to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, Financial Management Service, Financial Accounting and Services Division, Surety Bond Branch, 3700 East-West Highway, Room 6A04, Hyattsville, MD 20782.

Dated: June 30, 2001.

Wanda J. Rogers,

Director, Financial Accounting and Services Division, Financial Management Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 8817

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 8817, Allocation of Patronage and Nonpatronage Income and Deductions.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 24, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 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 Martha R. Brinson, (202) 622-3869, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Allocation of Patronage and Nonpatronage Income and Deductions.

OMB Number: 1545-1135.

Form Number: Form 8817.

Abstract: Form 8817 is filed by taxable farmers cooperatives to report their income and deductions by patronage and nonpatronage sources. The IRS uses the information on the form to ascertain whether the amounts of patronage and nonpatronage income or loss were properly computed.

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: Business or other for-profit organizations and farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,650.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 13 hrs., 20 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 22,006.

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: July 16, 2001.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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