

Estimated Number of Responses:
430,400.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5
hours, 34 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden
Hours:* 2,762,588.

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

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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: March 9, 2005.

Glenn P. Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG-107644-98 (Final)]

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 notice of proposed rulemaking, REG-107644-98 (Final), Dollar-Value LIFO Regulations; Inventory Price Index Computation Method.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 16, 2005, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of regulation should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala at the Internal Revenue Service, room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, by phone at (202) 622-3634, or on the Internet at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Dollar-Value LIFO Regulations; Inventory Price Index Computation Method.

OMB Number: 1545-1767.

Regulation Project Number: REG-107644-98 (Final).

Abstract: Section 1.472-2 of the Income Tax Regulations requires a taxpayer to file an application to use the LIFO inventory method. Section 1.472-3(a) requires an electing taxpayer to attach a statement with its Federal income tax return for the year of election. This statement generally must be made on Form 970, Application To Use LIFO Inventory Method. Section 1.472-8(e)(5) of the existing regulations and section 1.472-8(e)(iv)(A) of the final regulations provide that a taxpayer may use the IPIC method only if its election appears on Form 970. In addition, § 1.472-8(e)(iii)(B)(3) of the final regulations requires a taxpayer that elects to use a representative appropriate month to indicate its election on Form 970.

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.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden
Hours:* 1.

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Approved: March 7, 2005.

Glenn P. Kirkland,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[IA-5-92]

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,