

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Taxable Year of Certain Foreign Corporations Beginning after July 10, 1989.

*Description:* Proposed regulations set forth the "required year" for "specified foreign corporations" for taxable years beginning after July 10, 1989, and give guidance on which foreign corporations must change their taxable year and how to effect the change in taxable year. Specified foreign corporations must conform to the required year and must state so on Form 5471.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 700.

*Estimated Burden Hours Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 700 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1615.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-118926-97 Final.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Notice of Certain Transfers to Foreign Partnerships and Foreign Corporations.

*Description:* Section 6038B requires U.S. persons to provide certain information when they transfer certain property to a foreign partnership or foreign corporation. This regulation provides reporting rules to identify United States persons who contribute property to foreign partnerships and to ensure the correct reporting of items with respect to those partnerships.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1.

*Estimated Burden Hours Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 1 hour.

*Clearance Officer:* Paul H. Finger, (202) 622-4078, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

*OMB Reviewer:* Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., (202) 395-7316, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Notice 2004-59

**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 Notice 2004-59, Plan Amendments Following Election of Alternative Deficit Reduction Contribution.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 1, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the notice should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at [CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov](mailto:CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *Title:* Plan Amendments Following Election of Alternative Deficit Reduction Contribution.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1889.

*Notice Number:* Notice 2004-59.

*Abstract:* Notice 2004-59 sets forth answers to certain questions raised by the public when there is an amendment to an election to take advantage of the alternative deficit reduction contribution described in Public Law 108-218. This notice requires what are designated as restricted amendments.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the notice at this time.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations, and not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Estimated Average Time Per Respondent:* 4 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 400.

*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: August 26, 2004.

**Paul H. Finger,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[REG-209619-93]

#### 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-209619-93, Escrow Funds and Other Similar Funds.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before November 1, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Paul H. Finger, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of regulation the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at [CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov](mailto:CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Escrow Funds and Other Similar Funds.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1631.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-209619-93.

*Abstract:* These regulations would amend the final regulations for qualified settlement funds (QFSs) and would provide new rules for qualified escrows and qualified trusts used in deferred section 1031 exchanges; pre-closing escrows; contingent at-closing escrows; and disputed ownership funds.

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

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions and Federal, state, local or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 9,300.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,650.

*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: August 26, 2004.

**Paul H. Finger,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Members of Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to publish the names of those IRS employees who will be serving as members on IRS' FY2004 SES Performance Review Board(s).

**DATES:** This notice is effective October 1, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann Pope, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., OS:HC:S, Room 3511, Washington, DC 20224, (202) 622-0601.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), this notice announces the appointment of members of the Internal Revenue Service's Senior Executive Service Performance Review Board. The names and titles of the executives serving on this board follow:

John M. Dalrymple, Deputy Commissioner for Operations Support, and Chairperson, Service-wide Performance Review Board  
Mark Matthews, Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement  
Evelyn A. Petschek, Chief of Staff  
Tyrone B. Ayers, Director, Customer Assistance, Relationships and Education (W&I)

Beverly O. Babers, Chief Human Capital Officer  
Carol A. Barnett, Director, Human Resources (W&I)  
Gary D. Bell, National Director, Refund Crimes (CI)  
Brady R. Bennett, Director, Strategy and Finance (SBSE)  
John E. Binnion, Associate CIO for Management & Finance (MITS)  
Kevin M. Brown, Commissioner, Small Business & Self-Employed  
C. John Crawford III, Director, Customer Account Services (SBSE)  
Mary E. Davis, Director, Strategy and Finance (W&I)  
James P. Falcone, Acting Director, Agency-wide Shared Services  
Sherrill A. Fields, Deputy Director, Taxpayer Education & Communication (SBSE)  
Fred L. Forman, Associate Commissioner for Business Systems Modernization (MITS)  
Daniel Galik, Chief, Mission Assurance  
W. Todd Grams, Chief Information Officer  
Thelma Harris, Director, EEO and Diversity Field Services (AWSS)  
Thomas R. Hull, Deputy Director, Compliance Field Operations (SBSE)  
Nancy J. Jordini, Chief, Criminal Investigation  
Frank Keith, Chief, Communications and Liaison  
Henry O. Lamar, Jr., Commissioner, Wage and Investment  
Terrence H. Lutes, Associate CIO for Information Technology Services (MITS)  
Mark J. Mazur, Director, Research, Analysis & Statistics  
Deborah M. Nolan, Commissioner, Large and Mid-Size Business  
Steven T. Miller, Commissioner, Tax Exempt and Government Entities  
Richard J. Morgante, Deputy Commissioner, Wage & Investment  
Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate  
Eileen T. Powell, Chief Financial Officer  
Ronald S. Rhodes, Director, Customer Account Services (W&I)  
John M. Robinson, Chief, EEO and Diversity  
David B. Robison, Chief, Appeals  
Dwight J. Sparlin, Director, Operations Policy & Support (CI)  
Richard Speier, Jr., Deputy Chief, Criminal Investigation (CI)  
Richard Spires, Associate CIO for Modernization Management (MITS)  
Linda E. Stiff, Deputy Commissioner, Small Business & Self-Employed  
Chris Wagner, Deputy National Taxpayer Advocate  
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