

Standard No. 108 *Lamps, Reflective Devices and Associated Equipment*: (a) Installation of U.S.-model headlamps and front sidemarker lamps and (b) installation of U.S.-model taillamp assemblies which incorporate rear sidemarker lamps.

Standard No. 110 *Tire Selection and Rims*: Installation of a tire information placard.

Standard No. 111 *Rearview Mirror*: Replacement of the passenger side rearview mirror with a U.S.-model component.

Standard No. 114 *Theft Protection*: Installation of a warning buzzer and a warning buzzer microswitch in the steering lock assembly.

Standard No. 208 *Occupant Crash Protection*: (a) Installation of a seat belt warning buzzer, wired to the driver's seat belt latch; (b) inspection of all vehicles and replacement of the driver's and passenger's side air bags, knee bolsters, control units, sensors, and seat belts with U.S.-model components on vehicles that are not already so equipped. The front and rear outboard designated seating positions have combination lap and shoulder belts that are self-tensioning and that release by means of a single red pushbutton.

The petitioner also states that a vehicle identification plate must be affixed to the vehicles near the left windshield post and a reference and certification label must be affixed in the area of the left front door post to meet the requirements of 49 CFR part 565.

Interested persons are invited to submit comments on the petition described above. Comments should refer to the docket number and be submitted to: Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh St., SW., Washington, DC 20590. (Docket hours are from 9 am to 5 pm). It is requested but not required that 10 copies be submitted.

All comments received before the close of business on the closing date indicated above will be considered, and will be available for examination in the docket at the above address both before and after that date. To the extent possible, comments filed after the closing date will also be considered. Notice of final action on the petition will be published in the **Federal Register** pursuant to the authority indicated below.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30141(a)(1)(A) and (b)(1); 49 CFR 593.8; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

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Marilynne Jacobs,

Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

Pipeline Safety: Emergency Plans and Procedures for Responding to Multiple Gas Leaks and Migration of Gas Into Buildings

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice; issuance of an advisory bulletin.

SUMMARY: The Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) is issuing this advisory to owners and operators of gas pipeline distribution systems. Owners and operators should review their emergency plans and procedures to determine whether the procedures prompt the appropriate actions for gas leaks caused by excavation damage near buildings, and whether the procedures adequately address the possibility of multiple leaks and the underground migration of gas into nearby buildings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

On January 22, 1999, while excavating a trench behind a building in the downtown area of Bridgeport, Alabama, a backhoe operator damaged a natural gas service line. This resulted in two leaks on the natural gas service line, which was operating at a pressure of 35 pounds per square inch (psig). One leak occurred where the backhoe bucket contacted the gas service line and pulled it aboveground. Although the second leak was not visible, the ensuing investigation revealed that the natural gas service line was separated at an underground joint near the gas meter, and close to a building. As a result, natural gas migrated into the building. The gas ignited, destroying three downtown buildings in a two square block area. The incident resulted in four fatalities and five injuries.

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) investigated this incident and determined that the probable cause of the accident was (1) the failure of the construction contractor to establish and follow safe procedures for excavation activities, resulting in damage to the 3/4-inch steel natural gas service line and (2) the failure of the operator to provide appropriate emergency response to the subsequent natural gas leak.

The operator's written emergency procedures in effect at the time of the accident instructed service personnel to " * * * evaluate the extent of the emergency, request assistance as needed, and to inform the manager if necessary." However, the procedures did not instruct employees responding to a reported leak to consider the possibility of multiple leaks, check for gas accumulation in nearby buildings, and, if necessary, take steps to promptly stop the flow of gas.

II. Advisory Bulletin (ADB-01-02)

To: Owners and Operators of Gas Distribution Systems.

Subject: Emergency Plans and Procedures for Responding to Multiple Gas Leaks and Migration of Gas into Buildings

Purpose: To advise owners and operators of gas distribution pipeline systems to review their emergency plans and procedures to determine whether the procedures prompt the appropriate actions for gas leaks caused by excavation damage near buildings, and whether the procedures adequately address the possibility of multiple leaks and the underground migration of gas into nearby buildings.

Advisory: Owners and operators of gas distribution systems should ensure that their emergency plans and procedures require employees who respond to gas leaks to consider the possibility of multiple leaks, to check for gas accumulation in nearby buildings, and, if necessary, to take steps to promptly stop the flow of gas. These procedures should be communicated to both employee and contractor personnel who are responsible for emergency response to pipeline incidents.

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Manager, Program Development, Office of Pipeline Safety.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 15, 2001.

The Department of Treasury has submitted the following public

information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 20, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-0773.
Regulation Project Number: TD 8172 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.
Title: Qualification of Trustee or Like Fiduciary in Bankruptcy.

Description: Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 6036 requires executors or receivers to advise the district director of their appointment or authorization to act. This information is necessary so that IRS will know of the proceedings and who to contact for delinquent returns or taxes.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (nonrecurring).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 12,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-0874.

Form Number: IRS Form 8328.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Carryforward Election of Unused Private Activity Bond Volume Cap.

Description: Section 146(f) of the Internal Revenue Code requires that issuing authorities of certain types of tax-exempt bonds must notify the IRS if they intend to carry forward the unused limitation for specific projects. The IRS uses the information to complete the required study of tax-exempt bonds (required by Congress).

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 10,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Preparing and sending the form to the IRS.	2 hr., 22 min.
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Frequency of Response: On occasion.
Estimated Total Reporting/Recordkeeping Burden: 110,300 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1068.

Regulation Project Number: INTL-362-88 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Definition of a Controlled Foreign Corporation, Foreign Base Company Income, and Foreign Personal Holding Company Income of a Controlled Foreign Corporation.

Description: The election and recordkeeping requirements are necessary to exclude certain high-taxed or active business income from subpart F income or to include certain income in the appropriate category of subpart F income. The recordkeeping and election procedures allow the U.S. shareholders and the IRS to know the amount of the controlled foreign corporation's subpart F income.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 50,500.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent/Recordkeeper: 1 hour.

Frequency of Response: Other (one-time currency election).

Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 50,417 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1165.

Form Number: IRS Form 8821.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Tax Information Authorization.

Description: Form 8821 is used to appoint someone to receive or inspect certain tax information. Data is used to identify appointees and to ensure that confidential information is not divulged to unauthorized persons.

Respondents: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, Farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 200,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent/Recordkeeper:

Recordkeeping—6 min.

Learning about the law or the form—12 min.

Preparing the form—24 min.

Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS—20 min.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 210,000 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1243.

Regulation Project Number: PS-163-84 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Treatment of Transactions Between Partners and Partnerships.

Description: Section 707(a)(2) provides that if there are transfers of money or property between a partner and a partnership, the transfer will be treated, in certain situations, as a disguised sale between the partner and the partnership. The regulations provide that the partner or the partnership should disclose the transfers and certain attendant facts in some situations.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 7,500.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent/Recordkeeper: 20 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 2,500 hours.

OMB Number: 1545-1255.

Regulation Project Number: INTL-870-89 NPRM.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Earnings Stripping (Section 163(j)).

Description: Certain taxpayers are allowed to write off the fixed basis of the stock of an acquired corporation rather than the adjusted basis of the assets acquired corporation to elect special treatment under section 163(j).

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers: 2,300.

Estimated Burden Hours Per

Respondent/Recordkeeper: 31 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Total Reporting/

Recordkeeping Burden: 1,196 hours.

Clearance Officer: Garrick Shear, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

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Recordkeeping	6 hr., 27 min.
Learning about the law or the form.	2 hr., 10 min.