

respondents are corporations that file consolidated income tax returns.

*Estimated total annual reporting and/or recordkeeping burden:* 30,400 hours.

*Estimated average annual burden per respondent:* 2 hours.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 15,200.

*Estimated annual frequency of responses:* once.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid control number assigned by the Office of Management and Budget.

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.

### Background and Explanation of Provisions

Temporary regulations in the Rules and Regulations section of this issue of the **Federal Register** amend the Income Tax Regulations (26 CFR part 1) relating to section 1502. The text of those regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations. The preamble to the temporary regulations contains a full explanation of the reasons underlying the issues of the proposed regulations.

### Proposed Effective Date

These proposed regulations will be effective on the date they are published as final regulations in the **Federal Register**.

### Special Analyses

It has been determined that this Treasury decision is not a significant regulatory action as defined in Executive Order 12866. Therefore, a regulatory assessment is not required. It is hereby certified that these regulations do not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This certification is based on the fact that these regulations primarily will affect affiliated groups of corporations that have elected to file consolidated returns, which tend to be larger businesses, and, moreover, that any burden on taxpayers is minimal. Therefore, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 6) is not required. Pursuant to § 7805(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, these regulations will be submitted to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small

Business Administration for comment on their impact on small business.

### Comments and Public Hearing

Before these proposed regulations are adopted as final regulations, consideration will be given to any written (a signed original and eight (8) copies) or electronic comments that are submitted timely to the IRS. All comments will be available for public inspection and copying.

A public hearing has been scheduled for August 6, 2003, beginning at 10 a.m. in room 6718, Internal Revenue Building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. Due to building security procedures, visitors must enter at the Constitution Avenue entrance. In addition, all visitors must present photo identification to enter the building. Because of access restrictions, visitors will not be admitted beyond the immediate entrance area more than 30 minutes before the hearing starts. For information about having your name placed on the building access list to attend the hearing, see the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** portion of this preamble.

The rules of 26 CFR 601.601(a)(3) apply to the hearing. Persons who wish to present oral comments must submit written or electronic comments and an outline of the topics to be discussed and the time to be devoted to each topic (a signed original and eight (8) copies) by July 16, 2003. A period of 10 minutes will be allotted to each person for making comments. An agenda showing the scheduling of the speakers will be prepared after the deadline for receiving outlines has passed. Copies of the agenda will be available free of charge at the hearing.

### Drafting Information

The principal author of these regulations is Jeffrey B. Fienberg, Office of Associate Chief Counsel (Corporate). However, other personnel from the IRS and Treasury Department participated in their development.

### List of Subjects in 26 CFR Part 1

Income taxes, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

### Proposed Amendments to the Regulations

Accordingly, 26 CFR part 1 is proposed to be amended as follows:

### PART 1—INCOME TAXES

**Par. 1.** The authority citation for part 1 continues to read in part as follows:

**Authority:** 26 U.S.C. 7805 \* \* \*

**Par. 2.** Section 1.1502–20 is amended by redesignating paragraph (i)(5) as (i)(6) and by adding paragraphs (i)(3)(viii) and (i)(5) to read as follows:

### § 1.1502–20 Disposition or deconsolidation of subsidiary stock.

[The text of this proposed section is the same as the text of § 1.1502–20T(i)(3)(viii) and (i)(5) published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.]

**Par. 3.** Section 1.1502–32 is amended by adding paragraph (b)(4)(vii) to read as follows:

### § 1.1502–32 Investment adjustments.

[The text of this proposed section is the same as the text of § 1.1502–32T(b)(4)(vii) published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**.]

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

### 26 CFR Part 1

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### Statutory Mergers and Consolidations; Hearing Cancellation

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

**ACTION:** Cancellation of notice of public hearing on proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document cancels the public hearing on proposed regulations relating to statutory mergers and consolidations.

**DATES:** The public hearing originally scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, 2003, at 10 a.m., is cancelled.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Guy Traynor in the Regulations Unit, Associate Chief Counsel (Procedure & Administration), at (202) 622–7180 (not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing that appeared in the **Federal Register** on Friday, January 24, 2003 (68 FR 3477), announced that a public hearing was scheduled for May 21, 2003, at 10 a.m. in room 4718 of the Internal Revenue Service building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The subject of the public hearing is

proposed regulations under section 368 of the Internal Revenue Code. The deadline for submitting outlines and requests to speak at the hearing for these proposed regulations expired on April 24, 2003.

The notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing, instructed those interested in testifying at the public hearing to submit a request to speak and an outline of the topics to be addressed. As of May 2, 2003, no one has requested to speak. Therefore, the public hearing scheduled for May 21, 2003, is cancelled.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### 26 CFR Parts 1, 54, and 602

[TD 9052]

RIN 1545-BA08

#### Notice of Significant Reduction in the Rate of Future Benefit Accrual; Correction

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

**ACTION:** Correction to final regulations.

**SUMMARY:** This document contains corrections to final regulations that were published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, April 9, 2003 (68 FR 17277). This document contains final regulations providing guidance on the notification requirements under section 4908F of the Internal Revenue Code (Code) and section 204(h) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

**DATES:** This correction is effective April 9, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pamela R. Kinard (202) 622-6060 (not a toll-free number).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The final regulations that are the subject of this correction are under section 4980F of the Internal Revenue Code and section 204(h) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

##### Need for Correction

As published, final regulations (TD 9052) contains errors that may prove to

be misleading and are in need of clarification.

#### Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the publication of the final regulations (TD 9052), which is the subject of FR. Doc. 03-8290, is corrected as follows:

1. On page 17280, column 2, in the preamble, under the subject heading "Effective Date", line 4, the language "is on or after September 2, 2003." is corrected to read "is on or after September 1, 2003."

#### § 54.4980F-1 [Corrected]

2. In § 54.4980F-1, paragraph (b)(1), the language "September 2, 2003." is corrected to read "September 1, 2003."

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

[CG01-03-015]

RIN 1625-AA97

#### Safety Zone; Hudson River, Middle Ground Flats, Hudson, NY

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard proposes to establish a temporary safety zone for a fireworks display on the Hudson River. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on navigable waters during the event. This action is intended to restrict vessel traffic in the affected waterway.

**DATES:** Comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before June 6, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail comments and related material to Waterways Oversight Branch (CGD01-03-015), Coast Guard Activities New York, 212 Coast Guard Drive, room 204, Staten Island, New York 10305. The Waterways Oversight Branch of Coast Guard Activities New York maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at room 204,

Coast Guard Activities New York, between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Commander E. Morton, Waterways Oversight Branch, Coast Guard Activities New York at (718) 354-4012.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (CGD01-03-015), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know they reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change this proposed rule in view of them.

##### Public Meeting

We do not now plan to hold a public meeting. But you may submit a request for a meeting by writing to the Waterways Oversight Branch at the address under **ADDRESSES** explaining why one would be beneficial. If we determine that one would aid this rulemaking, we will hold one at a time and place announced by a later notice in the **Federal Register**.

##### Background and Purpose

The City of Hudson, New York has submitted an application to hold a fireworks display from a barged moored at the Hudson Wharf. The proposed safety zone includes all waters of the Hudson River within a 100-yard radius of the fireworks barge in approximate position 42°15'21.0" N 073°47'58" W, about 495 feet east of Hudson River Lighted Buoy 133 (LLNR 38585).

Marine traffic would still be able to transit through the western 110 feet of the 400-foot wide channel and to the west of Middle Ground Flats. Additionally, vessels would not be precluded from mooring at or getting underway from piers in the vicinity of the proposed safety zone.

The proposed regulation would be effective from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, 2003. In case of inclement weather the regulation would be effective from 9 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 15, 2003. It would prohibit all vessels and persons from