

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

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#### Request for Comments

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Approved: October 8, 2003.

**Carol Savage,**

*Management and Program Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 2000-42

**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 Revenue Procedure 2000-42, Section 1503(d) Closing Agreement Requests.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 15, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the revenue procedure should be directed to Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 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:* Section 1503(d) Closing Agreement Requests.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1706.

*Revenue Procedure Number:* Revenue Procedure 2000-42.

*Abstract:* Revenue Procedure 2000-42 informs taxpayers of the information they must submit to request a closing agreement under regulation section 1.1503-2(g)(2)(iv)(B)(2)(i) to prevent the recapture of dual consolidated losses upon the occurrence of certain triggering events.

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

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

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 100 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,000.

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#### Request for Comments

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Approved: October 8, 2003.

**Carol Savage,**

*Management and Program Analyst.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Advisory Group to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue; Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Information Reporting Program Advisory Committee (IRPAC) will hold a public meeting on Thursday, October 23, 2003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Jacqueline Tilghman, National Public Liaison, CL:NPL:P, Room 7569 IR, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224. Telephone: 202-622-6440 (not a toll-free number). E-mail address: [\\*public\\_liaison@irs.gov](mailto:*public_liaison@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988), a public meeting of the IRPAC will be held on Thursday, October 23, 2003, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Room 2140, main Internal Revenue Service building, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224. Issues to be discussed include: Tax Reporting Changes for Coverdell Educational Savings Account (ESA) Distributions, Electronic Filing of Forms 990; Form 1099-CAP Reporting, Power of

Attorney—Incapacitated Spouse, Form 1042-S—Additional Code for Canadians with U.S. Addresses, Schedule K-1 Enhancements, Continuing Professional Education (CPE) Credit, and Expansion of TIN Matching System to Permit Employers to Verify Employee Social Security Numbers. Reports from the four IRPAC sub-groups, Tax Exempt & Government Entities (TE/GE), Large and Mid-Size Business (LMSB), Small Business/Self-Employed (SB/SE), and Wage & Investment (W&I), will also be presented and discussed. Last minute agenda changes may preclude advance notice. The meeting room accommodates approximately 50 people, IRPAC members and Internal Revenue Service officials inclusive. Due to limited seating and security requirements, please call Jacqueline Tilghman to confirm your attendance. Ms. Tilghman can be reached at 202-622-6440. Attendees are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes before the meeting begins to allow sufficient time for purposes of security clearance. Please use the main entrance at 1111 Constitution Avenue to enter the building. Should you wish the IRPAC to consider a written statement, please call (202) 622-6440, or write to: Internal Revenue Service, Office of National Public Liaison, CL:NPL:P, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room 7569 IR, Washington, DC 20224 or e-mail: [\\*public\\_liaison@irs.gov](mailto:*public_liaison@irs.gov).

Dated: October 7, 2003.

**Robin G. Marusin,**

*Designated Federal Official, Branch Chief, Liaison/Tax Forum Branch.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### **Open Meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of Delaware, North Carolina, South Carolina, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and the District of Columbia)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, November 4, 2003, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EST.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Inez E. De Jesus at 1-888-912-1227, or 954-423-7977.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Area 2 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, November 4, 2003 from 3 p.m. EST to 4:30 p.m. EST via a telephone conference call. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7977, or write Inez E. De Jesus, TAP Office, 1000 South Pine Island Rd., Suite 340, Plantation, FL 33324. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Inez E. De Jesus. Ms. De Jesus can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 954-423-7977. The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: October 7, 2003.

**Tersheia Carter,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Bureau of the Public Debt

#### **Proposed Collection: Comment Request**

**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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently the Bureau of the Public Debt within the Department of the Treasury is soliciting comments concerning the Customer Awareness Survey.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 12, 2003, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Bureau of the Public Debt, Vicki S. Thorpe, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, or [Vicki.Thorpe@bpd.treas.gov](mailto:Vicki.Thorpe@bpd.treas.gov).

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests for additional information should be directed to Vicki S. Thorpe, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328, (304) 480-6553.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Customer Awareness Survey.

*Abstract:* The survey will focus on customer awareness of electronic savings bonds.

*Current Actions:* None.

*Type of Review:* New.

*Affected Public:* Individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 1,250.

**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.

Dated: October 7, 2003.

**Vicki S. Thorpe,**

*Manager, Graphics, Printing and Records Branch.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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#### **Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Veterans Health Administration (VHA) is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the