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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Information Collection Tools

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 Forms W-2, W-2c, W-2AS, W-2GU, W-2VI, W-3, W-3c, W-3cPR, W-3PR, and W-3SS.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Tuawana Pinkston, Internal Revenue Service, room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the collection tools should be directed to Sara Covington, Internal Revenue Service, room 6526, 1111

Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at Sara.L.Covington@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

Title: W-2 (Wage and Tax Statement), W-2c (Corrected Wage and Tax Statement). W-2AS (American Samoa Wage and Tax Statement), W-2GU (Guam Wage and Tax Statement), W-2VI (U.S. Virgin Islands Wage and Tax Statement), W-3 (Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements), W-3c (Transmittal of Corrected Wage and Tax Statements), W-3PR (Informe de Comprobantes de Retencio'n Transmittal of Withholding Statements, W-3c PR (TRANSMISION DE COMPROBANTES DE RETENCIO'N CORREGIDOS, Transmittal of Corrected Wage and Tax Statements), and W-3SS (Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements).

OMB Number: 1545-0008.

Form Numbers: Forms W-2, W-2c, W-2AS, W-2GU, W-2VI, W-3, W-3c, W-3cPR, W-3PR, and W-3SS.

Abstract: Employers report income and withholding information on Form W-2. Individuals use Form W-2 to prepare their income tax returns. Forms W-2AS, W-2GU and W-2VI are variations of Form W-2 for use in U.S. possessions. The Form W-3 series is used to transmit W-2 series forms to the

Social Security Administration. Forms W-2c, W-3c and W-3cPR are used to correct previously filed Forms W-2, W-3, and W-3PR.

Current Actions: There are changes in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations and individuals, or households, not-for-profit institutions, farms, and Federal, state local or tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 253,950,820.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: varies.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1.

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.

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