

carriers. Because this transaction involves Class III rail carriers only, the Board, under the statute, may not impose labor protective conditions for this transaction.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void *ab initio*. Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33354, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423.<sup>1</sup> In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on: Walter T. Merrill, Durbano & Merrill, 3340 Harrison Boulevard, Suite 200, Ogden, UT 84403.

Decided: February 19, 1997.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.  
Vernon A. Williams,  
Secretary.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 21, 1997.

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, N.W., Washington, DC 20220.

Bureau of the Public Debt (BPD)

*OMB Number:* 1535-0013.

*Form Number:* PD F 1048 and PD F 2243.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Application for Relief on Account of Loss, Theft or Destruction of U.S. Savings and Retirement Securities (1048); and Statement Concerning U.S. Securities (2243).

<sup>1</sup> Due to the Board's scheduled relocation on March 16, 1997, any filings made after March 16, 1997, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20423-0001.

*Description:* PD F 1048 and PD F 2243 are used by owner(s) or others having knowledge to request substitute securities or payment of lost, stolen or destroyed securities.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 80,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Response:* 25 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 32,000 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0035.

*Form Number:* PD F 4881.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Application for payment of United States Savings Bonds/Notes or Related Checks in an Amount NOT Exceeding \$1,000 by the Survivor of a Deceased Owner Whose Estate is NOT Being Administered.

*Description:* PD F 4881 is used by survivors of deceased bond owners to apply for proceeds from bonds, or related checks.

*Respondents:* Individual or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3,965.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Response:* 25 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 991 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0036.

*Form Number:* PD F 2513.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Application by Voluntary Guardian on Incompetent Owner of United States Savings Bonds/Notes.

*Description:* PD F 2513 is used by the voluntary guardian of incompetent bond owner(s) to establish the applicant's right to act on behalf of the incompetent owner.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,650.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 2,600 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1535-0064.

*Form Number:* PD F 1980 and PD F 2490.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Description of United States Savings Bonds Series HH/H (1980); and Description of United States Bonds/Notes (2490).

*Description:* PD F 1980 and PD F 2490 are used by an owner of United States Bonds/Notes to describe their holdings.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 19,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Response:* 6 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 1,900 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Vicki S. Thorpe, (304) 480-6553, Bureau of the Public Debt, 200 Third Street, Parkersburg, West VA 26106-1328.

*OMB Reviewer:* Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10226, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Lois K. Holland,

*Departmental Reports Management Officer.*

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### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 20, 1997.

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, N.W., Washington, DC 20220.

*Special Request:* In order to begin the survey described below in April 1997, the Department of the Treasury is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review and approve this information collection by March 4, 1997. To obtain a copy of this survey, please contact the IRS Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

*OMB Number:* 1545-1432.

*Project Number:* M:SP:V 97-004G.

*Type of Review:* Revision.

*Title:* 1-900 Tax Practitioner Hotline Focus Group Interviews.

*Description:* The IRS is conducting a series of nine (9) focus group interviews with tax practitioners. The objective of these focus groups is to determine:

- Are they willing to pay for the 1-900 hotline service?
- What services would they be willing to pay for?
- What services would they not be willing to pay for?
- Their suggestions for alternatives to a 1-900 hotline?