

Special Request

In order to begin the survey described below in early February 1998, the Department of the Treasury is requesting that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review and approve this information collection by February 2, 1998. To obtain a copy of this study, please contact the Internal Revenue Service Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1432.

Project Number: M:SP:V 98-002G.

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Customer Satisfaction Survey System.

Description: This is a direct outgrowth of the mid-October 1997 Senate Finance committee hearings where the conduct of IRS employees was publicly called into question. Both majority and minority members of the committee pointed to State or current IRS functional surveys that solicit such customer feedback, and recommended that the IRS as a whole pursue a similar approach. This survey is designed to solicit responses from taxpayers, their representatives, and other appropriate customers shortly after their case is closed or at the conclusion of their interaction with an IRS employee. The functional areas within IRS included in this survey are: (1) Customer Service, (2) Collection, (3) Examination, (4) Appeals, and (5) Employee Plans and Exempt Organizations (EP/EO).

Respondents: Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,784,619.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Response: 4 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (one-time only).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 118,975 hours.

Clearance Officer: Garrick Shear (202) 622-3869, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20224.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

January 26, 1998.

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 Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BATF)

OMB Number: 1512-0092.

Form Number: ATF F 5100.31.

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Application for Certification/Exemption of Label/Bottle Approval under the Federal Alcohol Administration Act.

Description: The Federal Alcohol Administration Act regulates the labeling of alcoholic beverages and designates the Treasury Department to oversee compliance with regulations. This form is completed by the regulated industry submitted to Treasury as an application to label their products. Treasury oversees label applications to prevent consumer deception and to deter falsification of unfair advertising practices on alcoholic beverages.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Recordkeepers: 8,624.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Recordkeeper: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Other (3 years).

Estimated Total Recordkeeping Burden: 28,565 hours.

Clearance Officer: Robert N. Hogarth, (202) 927-8930, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Room 3200, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20226.

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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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Customs Service****Revised National Customs Automation Program Test Regarding Reconciliation**

AGENCY: Customs Service, Treasury.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: On February 6, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** announcing a Customs prototype test of reconciliation. A subsequent notice, published in the **Federal Register** on September 30, 1997, announced modifications to the originally planned test. In response to comments received pursuant to that notice and discussions with the trade community, Customs has made further enhancements to the reconciliation prototype. These enhancements include a blanket application option to entry-by-entry flagging and, for Reconciliations involving duties, taxes, or fees due, the option of filing aggregate data for the Reconciliation in lieu of entry-by-entry data. This document serves as a replacement for all previous notices for this prototype, which is known as the ACS Reconciliation Prototype. The changes to the prototype detailed herein do not affect the previously announced start date of October 1, 1998, nor do they affect the policy which makes this prototype the exclusive means to reconcile entries, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1484(b).

This document invites public comments concerning any aspect of the planned test, informs interested members of the public of the requirements for voluntary participation, and establishes the process for developing evaluation criteria. This document also serves to open the application period. Certain information, as outlined in this notice, must be filed in an application with Customs prior to an applicant being approved for participation. It is important to note that certain aspects of this prototype may be modified prior to implementation of the final reconciliation program.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The testing period of this prototype will commence no earlier than October 1, 1998, will run for approximately two years, and may be extended. The prototype will be limited to consumption entries filed on or after October 1, 1998, through September 30, 2000. Comments concerning this notice and applications to participate in the prototype are requested by March 31, 1998.