

Estimated Number of Respondents: 19,700,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 29 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,653,000.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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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.

Approved: May 3, 1999.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 990-BL; Schedule A (Form 990-BL), Form 6069

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 Form 990-BL, Information and Initial Excise Tax Return for Black Lung Benefit Trusts and Certain Related Persons, and Form 6069, Return of Excise Tax on Excess Contributions to Black Lung Benefit Trust Under Section 4953 and Computation of Section 192 Deduction.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 12, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Form 990-BL, Information and Initial Excise Tax Return for Black Lung Benefit Trusts and Certain Related Persons, and Form 6069, Return of Excise Tax on Excess Contributions to Black Lung Benefit Trust Under Section 4953 and Computation of Section 192 Deduction.

OMB Number: 1545-0049.

Form Number: Form 990-BL; Schedule A (Form 990-BL), and Form 6069.

Abstract: IRS uses Form 990-BL to monitor activities of black lung benefit trusts, and to collect excise taxes on these trusts and certain related persons if they engage in proscribed activities. The tax is figured on Schedule A and attached to Form 990-BL. Form 6069 is used by coal mine operators to figure the maximum deduction to a black lung benefit trust. If excess contributions are made, IRS uses the form to figure and collect the tax on excess contributions.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the forms at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals, and not-for-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 22.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 26 hours, 3 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 573.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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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.

Approved: April 29, 1999.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 9620

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 Form 9620, Race and National Origin Identification.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 12, 1999, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5571, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5569, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Race and National Origin Identification.

OMB Number: 1545-1398.

Form Number: 9620.

Abstract: Form 9620 is an optically scannable form that is used to collect race and national origin data on all IRS employees and new hires. The form is a valuable tool in allowing the IRS to meet its diversity/EEO goals and as a component of its referral and tracking system and recruitment program.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, and the Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50,000.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 3 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,500.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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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.

Approved: May 3, 1999.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of Citizen Advocacy Panel, Brooklyn District

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Brooklyn District Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held in Brooklyn, New York.

DATES: The meeting will be held Friday, May 14, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin McKeon at 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3555.

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 operational meeting of the Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held Friday, May 14, 1999, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at 10 MetroTech Center, 6th Floor, 625 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11201. Due to limited conference space, notification of intent to attend the meeting must be made with Kevin McKeon. Mr. McKeon can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3555. The public is invited to make oral comments from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Friday, May 14, 1999. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes.

If you would like to have the CAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3555, or write Kevin McKeon, CAP Office, P.O. Box R, Brooklyn, N.Y., 11202. The Agenda will include the following: reports of the sub-committees and various IRS issues.

Note: Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice.

Dated: May 3, 1999.

Jack Mannion,

Chief, Special Projects.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Citizen Advocacy Panel, Pacific-Northwest District

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Pacific-Northwest District Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held in Seattle, Washington.

DATES: The meeting will be held Saturday, May 22, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Deborah A. Diamond at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6099.

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 operational meeting of the Citizen Advocacy Panel will be held Saturday, May 22, 1999, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Edmond Meany Hotel, Chancellor Room, 4507 Brooklyn Avenue NE, Seattle, WA. Due to limited conference space, notification of intent to attend the meeting must be made with Deborah Diamond.

Ms. Diamond can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6099. The public is invited to make oral comments from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 22, 1999. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the CAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6099, or write Deborah Diamond, CAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue; M/S W-406, Seattle, WA 98174.

The Agenda will include the following: subcommittee reports and various IRS issues.

Note: Last minute changes to the agenda are possible and could prevent effective advance notice.

Dated: May 3, 1999.

Jack Mannion,

Chief, Special Projects.

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