

The operator of the Bus Testing Center, the Pennsylvania Transportation Institute (PTI), has entered into a cooperative agreement with FTA. PTI operates and maintains the Center, and establishes and collects fees for the testing of the vehicles at the facility. Upon completion of the testing of the vehicle at the Center, a test report is provided to the manufacturer of the new bus model. The bus manufacturer certifies to an FTA grantee that the bus the grantee is purchasing has been tested at the Center. Also, grantees about to purchase a bus use this report to assist them in making their purchasing decisions. PTI maintains a reference file for all the test reports which are made available to the public.

*Respondents:* Bus manufacturers.

*Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:* 3 hours for each of the 20 bus manufacturers.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 60 hours.

*Frequency:* Annual.

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**Dorrie Y. Aldrich,**

*Associate Administrator for Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 10, 2000.

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, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before March 1, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

#### Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

*OMB Number:* 1545-0666.

*Form Number:* IRS Form 673.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Statement For Claiming Benefits Provided by Section 911 of the Internal Revenue Code.

*Description:* Form 673 is completed by a citizen of the United States and is furnished to his or her employer in

order to exclude from income tax withholding all or part of the wages paid the citizen for services performed outside the United States.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households, Farms, Federal Government.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 50,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 25,000 hours.

*Clearance Officer:* Garrick Shear, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20224.

*OMB Reviewer:* Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395-7860, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**Lois K. Holland,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

January 21, 2000.

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, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

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#### Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

*OMB Number:* New.

*Form Number:* IRS Form A.

*Type of Review:* New collection.

*Title:* Qualifications Availability Form.

*Description:* Form A is used by external applicants applying for clerical and technical positions with the Internal Revenue Service. Applicants will complete information relating to their address, job preference, veteran's preference and a series of occupational questions, knowledge and skills along with background information.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 90,000.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent:* 30 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Total Reporting Burden:* 45,000 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0143.

*Form Number:* IRS Form 2290.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Heavy Highway Vehicle Use Tax Return.

*Description:* Form 2290 is used to compute and report the tax imposed by section 4481 on the highway use of certain motor vehicles. The information is used to determine whether the taxpayer has paid the correct amount of tax.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 500,625.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent/Recordkeeper:*

Recordkeeping ..... 39 hr., 28 min.

Learning about the law 18 min.

or the form.

Preparing, copying, and 57 min.

sending the form to the IRS.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Reporting/*

*Recordkeeping Burden:* 19,223,213

hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1221.

*Regulation Project Number:* EE-147-87 Final.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Qualified Separate Lines of Business.

*Description:* The affected public includes employers who maintain qualified employee retirement plans. Where applicable, the employer must furnish notice to the IRS that the employer treats itself as operating qualified separate lines of business and some may request an IRS determination that such lines satisfy administrative scrutiny.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents/Recordkeepers:* 253.

*Estimated Burden Hours Per*

*Respondent/Recordkeeper:* 3 hrs., 27 min.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Reporting/*

*Recordkeeping Burden:* 899 hours.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1530.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Tip Rate Determination Agreement (Gaming Industry).

*Description:* Information is required by the Internal Revenue Service in its