

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. 33890, must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on Edward D. Greenberg, Galland, Kharasch, Greenberg, Fellman & Swirsky, P.C., Canal Square, 1054 Thirty-First Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20007.

Decided: June 27, 2000.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Financial Crimes Enforcement Network ("FinCEN"), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In order to comply with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, concerning proposed extensions of information collection requirements, FinCEN is soliciting comments concerning Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form 8852, Currency Transaction Report by Casinos—Nevada ("CTRC-N"), which is filed for currency transactions conducted by, at, or through Nevada casinos.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before September 5, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Office of Compliance and Regulatory Enforcement, Attn.: CTRC-N Comments, Suite 200, 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Vienna, VA 22182-2536.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or for a copy of the form should be directed to Leonard Senia, Regulatory

Program Specialist (Team Leader), Office of Compliance and Regulatory Enforcement, (202) 354-6412, or; Stacie A. Larson, Office of Chief Counsel, (703) 905-3590. A copy of the CTRC-N form, as well as all other forms required by the Bank Secrecy Act, can be obtained through the Internet at <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/forms-pubs/forms.html>. (Also, comments maybe submitted by electronic mail to the following Internet address: "regscomments@fincen.treas.gov" with the caption in the body of the text, "Attention: PRA Comments—CTRC-N.")

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bank Secrecy Act (Titles I and II of Public Law 91-508), as amended, codified at 12 U.S.C. 1829b, 12 U.S.C. 1951-1959, and 31 U.S.C. 5311-5314, 5316-5330, authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, *inter alia*, to issue regulations requiring records and reports that are determined to have a high degree of usefulness in criminal, tax, and regulatory matters. Regulations implementing Title II of the Bank Secrecy Act, codified at 31 U.S.C. 5311-5314, 5316-5330, appear at 31 CFR Part 103. The authority of the Secretary to administer the Bank Secrecy Act regulations has been delegated to the Director of FinCEN.

Section 5313(a) authorizes the Secretary to issue regulations that require a report when "a domestic financial institution is involved in a transaction for the payment, receipt, or transfer of United States coins or currency (or other monetary instruments the Secretary of the Treasury prescribes), in an amount, denomination, or amount and denomination, or under circumstances the Secretary prescribes." Regulations implementing section 5313(a) are found at 31 CFR 103.22 and 31 CFR 103.45(c)(2)(ii). In general, the regulations require the reporting of transactions in currency in excess of \$10,000 a day. Casinos as defined in 31 U.S.C. 5312(a)(2)(X) and 31 CFR 103.11(n)(7)(i) are financial institutions subject to the currency transaction reporting requirement. Card clubs, as defined in 31 CFR 103.11(n)(8)(i), are casinos subject to currency transaction reporting. (See 63 FR 1919, January 13, 1998.)

The Currency Transaction Report by Casinos—Nevada, IRS Form 8852, is the form Nevada casinos use to comply with the currency transaction reporting requirements. Form 8852 was designed to take into account, among other things, that Nevada Regulation 6A, "Cash Transactions Prohibitions, Reporting and Recordkeeping" prohibits

Nevada casinos from conducting some of the transaction types reportable on IRS Form 8362, Currency Transaction Report by Casinos.

Information collected on the CTRC-N is made available, in accordance with strict safeguards, to appropriate criminal law enforcement and regulatory personnel in the official performance of their duties. The information collected is used for regulatory purposes and in investigations involving international and domestic money laundering, tax violations, fraud, and other financial crimes.

This notice proposes no changes to the current text of the Form 8852 or its instructions.

In accordance with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR 1320, the following information concerning the collection of information on Form 8852 is presented to assist those persons wishing to comment on the information collection. (Since the number of respondents has increased mostly because of new Nevada casinos that have opened for business during 1998 and 1999, the estimates below are based on 1999 filings of Nevada CTRC-Ns.)

Title: Currency Transaction Report by Casinos—Nevada.

Form Number: IRS Form 8852.

OMB Number: 1506-0003.

Description of Respondents: All Nevada casinos, with gross annual gaming revenue in excess of \$10 million and having an annual table games statistical win in excess of \$2 million.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 110.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 128,000.

Frequency: As required.

Estimate of Burden: Reporting average of 19 minutes per response; recordkeeping average of 5 minutes per response.

Estimate of Total Annual Burden on Respondents: Reporting burden estimate = 40,533 hours; recordkeeping burden estimate = 10,667 hours. Estimated combined total of 51,200 hours.

Estimate of Total Annual Cost to Respondents for Hour Burdens: Based on \$20 per hour, the total cost to the public is estimated to be \$1,024,400.

Estimate of Total Other Annual Costs to Respondents: None.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Request for Comments

FinCEN specifically invites comments on the following subjects: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information

is necessary for the proper performance of the mission of FinCEN, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FinCEN's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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.

In addition, the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 requires agencies to estimate the total annual cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. Thus, FinCEN also specifically requests comments to assist with this estimate. In this connection, FinCEN requests commenters to identify any additional costs associated with the completion of the form. These comments on costs should be divided into two parts: (1) Any additional costs associated with reporting; and (2) any additional costs associated with recordkeeping.

Responses to the questions posed by this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 27, 2000.

James F. Sloan,

Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Treasury Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of the U.S. Customs Service; Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Offices, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the date and time for the next meeting and the provisional agenda for consideration by the Committee.

DATES: The next meeting of the Treasury Advisory Committee on Commercial Operations of the U.S. Customs Service will be held on Friday, July 21, 2000 at 9 a.m. at 740 15th Street, NW., Suite 700, Washington, DC. The duration of the meeting will be approximately three hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John P. Simpson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Regulatory, Tariff and Trade, Office of the Under Secretary

(Enforcement), Room 4308, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20220 (ATTN: COAC)—Tel.: (202) 622-0230. Final meeting details, including the meeting time, location, and agency, can be confirmed by contacting the above number one week prior to the meeting date.

AGENDA: At the July 21, 2000 session, a special meeting of the Advisory Committee, the Committee is expected to pursue the following agenda. The agenda may be modified prior to the meeting.

1. Report on Customs Budget for Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002
2. Report from Subcommittee on Merchandise Processing Fee
3. Discussion of the Full Implementation of Mod Act of 1993
4. Brief Update from the Office of Regulations & Rulings Subcommittee
5. Interface Discussion
6. Discussion of the 24/7 U.S. Customs Service at Land Borders

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public; however, participation in the Committee's deliberations is limited to Committee members and Customs and Treasury Department staff. A person other than an Advisory Committee member who wishes to attend the meeting should give advance notice by contacting Theresa Manning at (202) 622-0220 or Helen Belt at (202) 622-0230, no later than July 13, 2000.

Dated: June 28, 2000.

John P. Simpson,

Deputy Assistant Secretary (Regulatory, Tariff and Trade Enforcement).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 8830

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 8830, Enhanced Oil Recovery Credit.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 5, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Garrick R. Shear, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 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 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Enhanced Oil Recovery Credit.

OMB Number: 1545-1282.

Form Number: 8830.

Abstract: Internal Revenue Code section 43 allows taxpayers to elect a tax credit of 15% of the qualified oil recovery costs paid or incurred during the year. The credit is phased out as the reference price of crude oil for the prior year exceeds \$28 per barrel. Form 8830 is used by taxpayers to compute the credit.

Current Actions: The order of Part II, Tax Liability Limit, was revised for this form. Section 501 of Public Law 106-170 extended the provision that allows individuals to offset the regular tax liability in full for personal credits. Previously filers were allowed to claim credits to the extent that the regular tax liability exceeded the tentative minimum tax. For tax years beginning in 2000 and 2001, personal nonrefundable credits may offset both the regular tax and the minimum tax. Also, the computation was changed in Part II to reflect and to conform to changes that were made to the tax computation on Form 1040. A new line 7 was added to show the sum of the regular tax before credits and the alternative minimum tax.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, and individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,623.

Estimated Time Per Response: 9 hours, 2 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 32,752.

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.