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Definition: A U.S. person is any individual, branch, partnership, associated group, association, estate, trust, corporation, or other organization (whether or not organized under the laws of any State), and any government (including a foreign government, the United States Government, a state, provincial, or local government, and any agency, corporation, financial institution, or other entity or instrumentality thereof, including a government-sponsored agency), who resides in the United States or is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

Who Must Report: The following U.S. persons must report on this survey:

- U.S. persons who manage, as custodians, the safekeeping of foreign securities for U.S. persons. These U.S. persons, who include the affiliates in the United States of foreign entities, must report on this survey if the total market value of the foreign securities whose safekeeping they manage on behalf of U.S. persons—aggregated over all accounts and for all branches and affiliates of their firm—is \$100 million or more as of the close of business on December 31, 2001.
- U.S. persons who own foreign securities. These U.S. persons, who include the affiliates in the United States of foreign entities, must report on this survey if the total market value of these foreign securities—aggregated over all accounts and for all branches and affiliates of their firm—is \$100 million or more as of the close of business on December 31, 2001.

What to Report: This report will collect information on U.S. resident holdings of foreign securities, including foreign equities, short-term debt securities (including selected money market instruments), and long-term debt securities.

How to Report: Copies of the survey forms and instructions, which contain complete information on reporting procedures, can be obtained by contacting the survey staff of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at (212) 720-6300, e-mail: SHC.help@ny.frb.org. The mailing address is: Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Statistics Function, 4th Floor, 33 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10045-0001.

When to Report: Data should be submitted to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, acting as fiscal agent for the Department of the Treasury, by February 15, 2002.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: This data collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned control number 1505-0146. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid control number assigned by OMB. The estimated average annual burden associated with this collection of information is 16 hours per respondent for exempt reporters, 40 hours per respondent reporting U.S. resident custodian information on Schedule 3, 120 hours per U.S. resident investor providing detailed information on Schedule 2, and 360 hours per U.S. resident custodian reporting detailed information on Schedule 2. Comments concerning the accuracy of this burden estimate and suggestions for reducing this burden should be directed to the Department of the Treasury, Attention Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Systems, Room 5205 MT, Washington, D.C. 20220, and to OMB, Attention Desk Officer for the Department of the Treasury, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: September 6, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG-106012-98]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request For Regulation Project

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 an existing final regulation, REG-106012-

98 (TD 8936), Definition of Contribution in Aid of Construction Under Section 118(c)(§ 1.118-2).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before November 13, 2001 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 regulation should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, Internal Revenue Service, room 5242, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Definition of Contribution in Aid of Construction Under Section 118(c).

OMB Number: 1545-1639.

Regulation Project Number: REG-106012-98.

Abstract: This regulation provides guidance with respect to section 118(c), which provides that a contribution in aid of construction received by a regulated public water or sewage utility is treated as a contribution to the capital of the utility and excluded from gross income.

Current Actions: There is no change to these existing regulations.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Average Time Per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting Hours: 300.

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. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

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: August 30, 2001.

Garrick R. Shear,

IRS Reports Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under Public Law 92-463 that a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Former Prisoners of War will be held on October 22-24, 2001, at the James A. Haley VA Medical Center, 13000 Bruce B. Downs Blvd., Bldg. 32, Room 101, Tampa, FL 33612. Each day the meeting will convene at 9:00 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the committee is to advise the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on the administration of benefits under Title 38, United States Code, for veterans who are former prisoners of war, and to make recommendations on the needs of such veterans for compensation, health care and rehabilitation.

The agenda for October 22 will begin with an introduction of committee members and dignitaries, a review of Committee reports, an update of activities since the last meeting, and a period for POW veterans and/or the public to address the committee. The Committee will also discuss future plans for the VA POW Learning Seminars, and conclude with a report from the Special Panel on Presumptive Conditions. The agenda on October 23 will include a report on VA's

Compensation and Pension Service activities, a discussion of VA's approval process for presumptive conditions, and a report on the activities of the Veterans Health Administration. The committee will also take up consideration of priority for POWs in Long-Term Health Care programs, and hear a report from the National Institute of Health Agency Follow-up on Morbidity and Mortality in Heart Disease and Stroke among former POWs. The session will conclude with a report from the Robert E. Mitchell Center for Prisoner of War Studies, followed by a general discussion. On October 24, the Committee's Medical and Administrative subcommittees will break out to discuss their activities and report back to the Committee.

Additionally, the Committee will review and analyze the comments discussed throughout the meeting for the purpose of assisting and compiling a final report to be sent to the Secretary.

Members of the public may direct questions or submit prepared statements for review by the Committee in advance of the meeting, in writing only, to Mr. Ronald J. Henke, Director, Compensation and Pension Service (21), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420. Submitted materials must be received by October 8, 2001. A report of the meeting and roster of Committee members may be obtained from Mr. Henke.

Dated: August 31, 2001.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Nora E. Egan,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Nursing Research Initiative Subcommittee of the Scientific Review and Evaluation Board for Health Services Research and Development Service; Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Health Administration, gives notice under Pub. L. 92-463, that a meeting of the Nursing Research Initiative Subcommittee of the Scientific Review and Evaluation Board for Health

Services Research and Development Service will be held at the Madison Hotel, 15th Street, NW., Washington, DC, on Tuesday, September 11, 2001, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to review nursing research applications that identify effective methods for improving, maintaining, and/or preventing decline in the functional status of patients; develop and test models that integrate patient care delivery and enhance health outcomes; and improve patient care. Applications are reviewed for scientific and technical merit. Recommendations regarding funding are prepared for the Chief Research and Development Officer.

This meeting will be open to the public at the start of the September 11 session for approximately one-half hour to cover administrative matters and to discuss the general status of the program. The closed portion of the meeting involves discussion, examination, reference to, and oral review of staff and consultant critiques of research protocols and similar documents. During this portion of the meeting, discussion and recommendations will include qualifications of the personnel conducting the studies (the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy), as well as research information (the premature disclosure of which would be likely to frustrate significantly implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research projects). As provided by the subsection 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, as amended by Pub. L. 94-409, closing portions of these meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

Those who plan to attend the open session should contact Ms. Martha R. Bryan, Review Program Manager, Health Services Research and Development Service (124F), Department of Veterans Affairs, 1400 I Street, NW., Suite 780, Washington, DC, prior to the meeting. For further information, call (202) 408-3661.

Dated: August 31, 2001.

By Direction of the Secretary.

Nora E. Egan,

Committee Management Officer.

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