

Area	Qtr ¹	Participant
Region VIII (EPA Region VIII)	1	
Boston (MSO Boston)	2	
Hawaiian Islands (MSO Honolulu)	2	
South Florida (MSO Miami)	2	
South Los Angeles/Long Beach, CA (MSO LA/LB)	2	
S. North Carolina (MSO Wilmington)	3	
SW La./SE Texas (MSO Port Arthur)	3	
Tampa, FL (MSO Tampa)	3	
Region X or EPA Alaska RCP (EPA Region X)	4	
Sault Ste. Marie, MI (MSO Sault Ste. Marie)	4	

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Florida Panhandle (MSO Mobile)	1	
SE Alaska (MSO Juneau)	1	
Buffalo (MSO Buffalo)	2	
Maine-New Hampshire (MSO Portland, ME)	2	
Philadelphia, PA (MSO Philadelphia)	2	
Region II RCP or Caribbean (EPA Region II)	2	
North Coast (CA) Area (MSO San Francisco)	3	
Region III RCP (EPA Region III)	3	
Region VI RCP (EPA Region VI)	3	
Caribbean Area (MSO San Juan)	4	
Northern Marianas (MSO Guam)	4	
Western Lake Erie (MSO Toledo)	4	

¹ Quarters: 1 (January-March); 2 (April-June); 3 (July-September); 4 (October-December).

² SONS: 2004 Spill of National Significance Exercise.

Dated: October 9, 2003.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Customs and Border Protection

Quarterly IRS Interest Rates Used in Calculating Interest on Overdue Accounts and Refunds on Customs Duties

AGENCY: Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public of the quarterly Internal Revenue Service interest rates used to calculate interest on overdue accounts (underpayments) and refunds (overpayments) of Customs duties. For the calendar quarter beginning October 1, 2003, the interest rates for overpayments will be 3 percent for corporations and 4 percent for non-corporations, and the interest rate for underpayments will be 4 percent. This

notice is published for the convenience of the importing public and Customs personnel.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ronald Wyman, Accounting Services Division, Accounts Receivable Group, 6026 Lakeside Boulevard, Indianapolis, Indiana 46278; telephone 317/298-1200, extension 1349.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1505 and Treasury Decision 85-93, published in the **Federal Register** on May 29, 1985 (50 FR 21832), the interest rate paid on applicable overpayments or underpayments of Customs duties must be in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code rate established under 26 U.S.C. 6621 and 6622. Section 6621 was amended (at paragraph (a)(1)(B) by the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105-206, 112 Stat. 685) to provide different interest rates applicable to overpayments: one for corporations and one for non-corporations.

The interest rates are based on the Federal short-term rate and determined by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on behalf of the Secretary of the Treasury

on a quarterly basis. The rates effective for a quarter are determined during the first-month period of the previous quarter.

In Revenue Ruling 2003-104 (*see*, 2003-39 IRB __, dated September 29, 2003), the IRS determined the rates of interest for the calendar quarter beginning October 1, 2003, and ending December 31, 2003. The interest rate paid to the Treasury for underpayments will be the Federal short-term rate (1%) plus three percentage points (3%) for a total of four percent (4%). For corporate overpayments, the rate is the Federal short-term rate (1%) plus two percentage points (2%) for a total of three percent (3%). For overpayments made by non-corporations, the rate is the Federal short-term rate (1%) plus three percentage points (3%) for a total of four percent (4%). These interest rates are subject to change for the calendar quarter beginning January 1, 2004, and ending March 31, 2004.

For the convenience of the importing public and Customs personnel the following list of IRS interest rates used, covering the period from before July of 1974 to date, to calculate interest on overdue accounts and refunds of Customs duties, is published in summary format.

Beginning date	Ending date	Underpayments (percent)	Overpayments (percent)	Corporate overpayments (Eff. 1-1-99) (percent)
070174	063075	6	6

Beginning date	Ending date	Underpay-ments (percent)	Overpayments (percent)	Corporate overpayments (Eff. 1-1-99) (percent)
070175	013176	9	9	
020176	013178	7	7	
020178	013180	6	6	
020180	013182	12	12	
020182	123182	20	20	
010183	063083	16	16	
070183	123184	11	11	
010185	063085	13	13	
070185	123185	11	11	
010186	063086	10	10	
070186	123186	9	9	
010187	093087	9	8	
100187	123187	10	9	
010188	033188	11	10	
040188	093088	10	9	
100188	033189	11	10	
040189	093089	12	11	
100189	033191	11	10	
040191	123191	10	9	
010192	033192	9	8	
040192	093092	8	7	
100192	063094	7	6	
070194	093094	8	7	
100194	033195	9	8	
040195	063095	10	9	
070195	033196	9	8	
040196	063096	8	7	
070196	033198	9	8	
040198	123198	8	7	
010199	033199	7	7	6
040199	033100	8	8	7
040100	033101	9	9	8
040101	063001	8	8	7
070101	123101	7	7	6
010102	123102	6	6	5
010103	093003	5	5	4
100103	123103	4	4	3

Dated: October 8, 2003.

Robert C. Bonner,
Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR 4817-N-18]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment—Public Housing Operating Subsidy Program Computation of Payments in Lieu of Taxes Form

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork

Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* December 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4249, Washington, DC 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-0614, extension 4128. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

The Public Housing Computation of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) form is used by the Department to collect information from Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), financial data on supporting funding request under the operating subsidy program.