

Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (TAP) is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service. The TAP will use citizen input to make recommendations to the Internal Revenue Service.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, May 19, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dave Coffman at 1-888-912-1227, or 206-220-6096.

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 open meeting of the Area 6 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Thursday, May 19, 2005 from 1 p.m. Pacific Time to 2:30 p.m. Pacific Time via a telephone conference call. The public is invited to make oral comments. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6096, or write to Dave Coffman, TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174 or you can contact us at <http://www.improveirs.org>. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Dave Coffman. Mr. Coffman can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-220-6096.

The agenda will include the following: Various IRS issues.

Dated: April 26, 2005.

Martha Curry,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Privacy Act of 1974, as Amended

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of alteration to a Privacy Act system of records.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, 5 U.S.C. 552a, the Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, gives notice of a proposed alteration to the system of records, Treasury/IRS 60.000—Employee Protection System Records.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than June 3, 2005. The system of records will be effective June 13, 2005, unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Office of Governmental Liaison and Disclosure, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20224. Comments will be made available for inspection and copying in the National Office room upon request. An appointment for inspecting the comments can be made by calling (202) 622-5164. This is not a toll free number.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chief, Office of Employee Protection, Internal Revenue Service, 477 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48226, telephone (313) 628-3742. This is not a toll free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This gives notice of a proposed alteration to a Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service system of records entitled “Treasury/IRS 60.000—Employee Protection System Records” which is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a. The proposed alteration will add individuals who are potentially dangerous to IRS contractors to the system of records.

The Employee Protection System Records system of records was established to enhance the security and safety of Internal Revenue Service employees who are engaged in the assessment and collection of Federal taxes. This system consists of information furnished by Internal Revenue Service employees or other parties with respect to an individual who is involved in a tax administration matter before the Internal Revenue Service.

The records in this system are maintained for a period of five years, after which the records are reviewed to determine whether there is a need to maintain the information in the system. This system currently consists primarily of records of potentially dangerous taxpayers formerly maintained under the system of records entitled “Treasury/IRS 60.001—Assault and Threat Investigation Files, Inspection, and Records” pertaining to assaults, threats, and suicide threats maintained in the Treasury/IRS 60.007—Miscellaneous Information File, Inspection.

The alteration will add records to the system that will include reports of incidents of threats of harm to, or intimidation of, government contractors by individual taxpayers, threats of suicide made by a taxpayer in response

to a contact by a government contractor, results of investigations into those incidents, determinations as to whether the taxpayer should be considered a potentially dangerous taxpayer or a taxpayer who should be approached with caution, and related correspondence.

The system notice was last published in its entirety in the **Federal Register** on November 30, 2001, at 66 FR 59839.

The report of an altered system of records, as required by 5 U.S.C. 552a(r) of the Privacy Act, has been submitted to the Committee on Government Reform of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and the Office of Management and Budget, pursuant to Appendix I to OMB Circular A-130, “Federal Agency Responsibilities for Maintaining Records About Individuals,” dated November 30, 2000.

For the above reasons, the IRS proposes to amend its system of records as set forth below:

Treasury/IRS 60.000

SYSTEM NAME:

Employee Protection System Records
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CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS COVERED BY THE SYSTEM:

Description of the changes:
a. The first sentence is removed and in its place add the following sentence to read: “Individuals attempting to interfere with the administration of internal revenue laws through assaults, threats, suicide threats, filing or threats of filing frivolous criminal or civil legal action against Internal Revenue Service (IRS) employees or contractors or the employees’ or contractors’ immediate family members, or forcible interference of any officer, government contractor or employee while discharging the official duties at his/her position.”
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b. Category (4) is amended by adding “or contractor” immediately after the words “employees” and is revised to read: “Individuals who have committed the acts set forth in any of the above criteria, but whose acts have been directed against employees or contractors of other governmental agencies at Federal, State, county, or local levels;”
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CATEGORY OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

Description of the changes: Category (8) is amended by adding “or contractors” immediately after the words “IRS employee” and is revised to

read: “(8) Correspondence regarding the reporting of the incident, referrals for investigation, investigation of the incident; and result of investigation (*i.e.* designation as potentially dangerous taxpayer, or other designation to alert IRS employees or contractors to approach the individual with caution).”

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PURPOSE:

Description of the change: Remove the current entry and in its place add the following language: “This system of records documents reports by Internal Revenue Service employees of attempts by taxpayers to obstruct or impede Internal Revenue Service employees, contractors, or other law enforcement personnel in the performance of their official duties, investigations into the matters reported, and conclusions as to whether the taxpayers should be considered potentially dangerous taxpayers or should otherwise be approached with caution by employees or contractors of the Internal Revenue Service or any other law enforcement organization.”

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND THE PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

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Description of change: The period at the end of routine use (6) is replaced with a semicolon, “;” and the following routine use is added at the end thereof: “(7) Provide information to a government contractor to alert the contractor that a taxpayer may be potentially dangerous.”

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RECORDS SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Description of the change: Remove the current entry and in its place add the following to read: “Department of the Treasury personnel and records, newspapers and periodicals, taxpayers (witnesses and informants), state and local government agency personnel and records, and anonymous individuals. This system of records may also contain investigatory material compiled for criminal law enforcement purposes whose sources need not be reported.”

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Dated: April 25, 2005.

Jesus Delgado-Jenkins,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Construction Advisory Board; Notice of Establishment

As required by section 9(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hereby gives notice of the establishment of the Construction Advisory Board. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs has determined that establishing the Board is both in the public interest and essential to the conduct of VA business.

The Construction Advisory Board will provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary on the nature and scope of the Department’s construction process. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Board will focus on design approval, procurement and administration of construction contracts, quality assurance, and construction project management.

The Board is expected to submit its final report and recommendations not later than December 31, 2005.

Dated: April 19, 2005.

By Direction of the Secretary.

E. Philip Riggan,

Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of Research and Development; Government Owned Invention Available for Licensing

AGENCY: Office of Research and Development.

ACTION: Notice of government owned invention available for licensing.

SUMMARY: The invention listed below is owned by the U.S. Government as represented by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and is available for licensing in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207 and 37 CFR part 404 and/or CRADA Collaboration under 15 U.S.C. 3710a to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development. Foreign patents are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for U.S. companies and may also be available for licensing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical and licensing information on the invention may be obtained by writing to: Robert W. Potts, Department of Veterans Affairs, Director, Technology Transfer Program, Office of Research and Development, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420; fax: (202) 254–0473 e-mail at: *bob.potts@hq.med.va.gov*. Any request for information should include the Number and Title for the relevant invention as indicated below. Issued patents may be obtained from the Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The invention available for licensing is: U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/563,538 “A Method for Rapid Screening of Mad Cow Disease and Other Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies.”

Dated: April 21, 2005.

Gordon H. Mansfield,

Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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