

Applicability

(c) This AD applies to Boeing Model 747–200C and –200F series airplanes, certificated in any category; as identified in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–25A3430, dated February 15, 2007.

Unsafe Condition

(d) This AD results from reports of water contamination in the electrical/electronic units in the main equipment center. We are issuing this AD to prevent water contamination of the electrical/electronic units, which could cause the electrical/electronic units to malfunction, and as a consequence, could adversely affect the airplane’s continued safe flight.

Compliance

(e) You are responsible for having the actions required by this AD performed within the compliance times specified, unless the actions have already been done.

Installations

(f) Within 24 months after the effective date of this AD, install mounting brackets, support angles, and moisture curtains in the main equipment center, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing

Alert Service Bulletin 747–25A3430, dated February 15, 2007.

Prior or Concurrent Requirements

(g) For airplanes identified as Group 1 and Group 3 airplanes in Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–25A3430, dated February 15, 2007: Prior to or concurrently with the requirements of paragraph (f) of this AD, install drip shields (including a drip pan assembly, drain tubing, and attaching hardware) over the forward, outboard halves of the E1–1 and E3–1 shelves in the main equipment bay, in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions of Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–38A2073, Revision 3, dated May 22, 2003.

(h) Installation of drip shields before the effective date of this AD in accordance with paragraph (a) and Note 2 of AD 2001–24–30, amendment 39–12547, is acceptable for compliance with the corresponding actions specified in paragraph (g) of this AD.

Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(i)(1) The Manager, Seattle Aircraft Certification Office, FAA, has the authority to approve AMOCs for this AD, if requested in accordance with the procedures found in 14 CFR 39.19.

(2) To request a different method of compliance or a different compliance time for this AD, follow the procedures in 14 CFR 39.19. Before using any approved AMOC on any airplane to which the AMOC applies, notify your appropriate principal inspector (PI) in the FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO), or lacking a PI, your local FSDO.

Material Incorporated by Reference

(j) You must use the service bulletins identified in Table 1 of this AD to perform the actions that are required by this AD, unless the AD specifies otherwise. The Director of the Federal Register approved the incorporation by reference of these documents in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Contact Boeing Commercial Airplanes, P.O. Box 3707, Seattle, Washington 98124–2207, for a copy of this service information. You may review copies at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, call 202–741–6030, or go to: <http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

TABLE 1.—MATERIAL INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Service Bulletin	Revision level	Date
Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–25A3430	Original	February 15, 2007.
Boeing Alert Service Bulletin 747–38A2073	3	May 22, 2003.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on December 10, 2007.

Ali Bahrami,

Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

15 CFR Part 806

[Docket No. 07 0301041–7802–03]

RIN 0691–AA63

Direct Investment Surveys: BE–11, Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad

AGENCY: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Commerce.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule amends regulations concerning the reporting requirements for the BE–11, Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad. The BE–11 survey is conducted annually and is a sample survey that obtains financial and operating data

covering the overall operations of U.S. parent companies and their foreign affiliates. BEA is expanding the reporting requirements on the BE–11 annual survey so that U.S. parent companies that are banks, foreign affiliates of bank parents, and bank foreign affiliates of nonbank parents are reportable. A few minor changes are required to the instructions on Form BE–11A, Report for U.S. Reporter, so it can be used to collect bank as well as nonbank data. BEA is implementing a new, specialized Form BE–11B(FN) for foreign affiliates of bank parents and bank foreign affiliates of nonbank parents.

DATES: This final rule will be effective January 16, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David H. Galler, Chief, Direct Investment Division (BE–50), Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; phone (202) 606–9835 or e-mail (david.galler@bea.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the September 13, 2007, **Federal Register**, 72 FR 52316–52319, BEA published a notice of proposed rulemaking setting forth revised reporting requirements for

the BE–11, Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad. No comments on the proposed rule were received. Thus, the proposed rule is adopted without change. This final rule amends 15 CFR Part 806.14 to set forth the reporting requirements for the BE–11, Annual Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad.

Description of Changes

The BE–11 survey is a mandatory survey and is conducted annually by BEA under the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act (22 U.S.C. 3101–3108), hereinafter, “the Act.” BEA will send the survey to potential respondents in March of each year; responses will be due by May 31.

This final rule expands the reporting requirements on the BE–11 annual survey so that U.S. parent companies that are banks and their foreign affiliates and bank foreign affiliates of nonbank U.S. parent companies will now be reportable. Until now, collection of data on the BE–11 annual survey has been limited to that of nonbank U.S. parent companies and their nonbank foreign affiliates. Data for bank U.S. parent companies and their bank and nonbank foreign affiliates and data for bank

affiliates of nonbank U.S. parent companies have been collected only once every five years on BEA's BE-10, Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad.

To collect data for a U.S. Reporter that is a bank, BEA will use the BE-11A, Report for U.S. Reporter, that is used for nonbank U.S. parents. BEA will use a new, specialized form, Form BE-11B(FN), for collecting data for foreign affiliates of bank U.S. parents and bank affiliates of nonbank U.S. parents. The items to be collected on this form include most of those collected on the form used for bank affiliates on the BE-10 benchmark survey and a few additional items, including sales of services by destination and employment by broad occupational structure, that will make the data more useful for studies of offshoring and more comparable with the data collected for nonbank affiliates of nonbank parents. Because affiliates of bank parents and bank affiliates of nonbank parents tend to be quite large, BEA set the exemption level for reporting on Form BE-11B(FN) at \$250 million. Foreign affiliates of bank U.S. parents and bank affiliates of nonbank U.S. parents with total assets, sales or gross operating revenues, and net income of \$250 million or less (positive or negative) will not be required to be reported on the annual survey. Instructions on the forms and in the instruction booklet will be modified to include banks.

Survey Background

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), U.S. Department of Commerce, conducts the BE-11 survey under the authority of the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act (22 U.S.C. 3101-3108), hereinafter, "the Act." Section 4(a) of the Act requires that with respect to United States direct investment abroad, the President shall, to the extent he deems necessary and feasible, conduct a regular data collection program to secure current information on international financial flows and other information related to international investment and trade in services, including (but not limited to) such information as may be necessary for computing and analyzing the United States balance of payments, the employment and taxes of United States parents and affiliates, and the international investment and trade in services position of the United States.

In Section 3 of Executive Order 11961, as amended by Executive Orders 12318 and 12518, the President delegated the responsibility for performing functions under the Act

concerning direct investment to the Secretary of Commerce, who has redelegated it to BEA. The annual survey of U.S. direct investment abroad is a sample survey that collects information on a variety of measures of the overall operations of U.S. parent companies and their foreign affiliates, including total assets, sales, net income, employment and employee compensation, research and development expenditures, and exports and imports of goods. The sample data are used to derive universe estimates in nonbenchmark years from similar data reported in the BE-10, Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad, which is taken every five years. The data are needed to measure the size and economic significance of direct investment abroad, measure changes in such investment, and assess its impact on the U.S. and foreign economies. The data are disaggregated by country and industry of the foreign affiliate and by industry of the U.S. parent.

Executive Order 12866

This final rule has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Executive Order 13132

This final rule does not contain policies with Federalism implications sufficient to warrant preparation of a Federalism assessment under E.O. 13132.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The collection of information in this final rule has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA).

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The BE-11 survey is expected to result in the filing of reports from approximately 1,550 respondents. The respondent burden for this collection of information will vary from one company to another, but is estimated to average 79.3 hours per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Thus the total respondent burden of the survey is estimated at 122,900 hours (1,550 respondents times 79.3 hours

average burden). This estimate is slightly above the burden of 117,600 hours currently requested for this survey in the OMB inventory.

Comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information should be addressed to: Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis (BE-1), U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; FAX: 202-606-5311; and to the Office of Management and Budget, O.I.R.A., Paperwork Reduction Project 0608-0053, Attention PRA Desk Officer for BEA, via e-mail at pbugg@omb.eop.gov, or by FAX at 202-395-7245.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Chief Counsel for Regulation, Department of Commerce, has certified to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration, under the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 605(b)), that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The factual basis for the certification was published in the proposed rule and is not repeated here. No comments were received regarding the economic impact of the rule. As a result, no final regulatory flexibility analysis was prepared.

List of Subjects in 15 CFR Part 806

U.S. investment abroad, Multinational corporations, Economic statistics, Penalties, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

Dated: November 29, 2007.

J. Steven Landefeld,

Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

■ For the reasons set forth in the preamble, BEA amends 15 CFR part 806 as follows:

PART 806—DIRECT INVESTMENT SURVEYS

■ 1. The authority citation for 15 CFR part 806 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 22 U.S.C. 3101-3108; E.O. 11961 (3 CFR, 1977 Comp., p. 86), as amended by E.O. 12318 (3 CFR, 1981 Comp., p. 173) and E.O. 12518 (3 CFR, 1985 Comp., p. 348).

■ 2. Section 806.14(f)(3) is revised to read as follows:

§ 806.14 U.S. direct investment abroad.

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(3) BE-11—Annual survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad: A report, consisting of Form BE-11A and Form(s) BE-11B(LF)(Long Form), BE-11B(SF)(Short Form), BE-11B(FN), BE-

11B(EZ), and/or BE-11C, is required of each U.S. Reporter that, at the end of the Reporter's fiscal year, had a foreign affiliate reportable on Form BE-11B(LF), (SF), (FN), (EZ), or BE-11C. Forms required and the criteria for reporting on each are as follows:

(i) Form BE-11A (Report for U.S. Reporter) must be filed by each U.S. person having a foreign affiliate reportable on Form BE-11B(LF), (SF), (FN), (EZ), or BE-11C. If the U.S. Reporter is a corporation, Form BE-11A is required to cover the fully consolidated U.S. domestic business enterprise. However, where a U.S. Reporter's primary line of business is not in banking (or related financial activities), but the Reporter also has ownership in a bank, the bank, including all of its domestic subsidiaries or units, must file on a separate Form BE-11A. The nonbanking U.S. operations not owned by the bank must also file on a Form BE-11A.

(A) If for a U.S. Reporter any one of the following three items—total assets, sales or gross operating revenues excluding sales taxes, or net income after provision for U.S. income taxes—was greater than \$150 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the Reporter's fiscal year, the U.S. Reporter must file a complete Form BE-11A. It must also file a Form BE-11B(LF), (SF), (FN), (EZ), or BE-11C as applicable, for each nonexempt foreign affiliate.

(B) If for a U.S. Reporter no one of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(i)(A) of this section was greater than \$150 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the Reporter's fiscal year, the U.S. Reporter is required to file on Form BE-11A only items 1 through 31 and Part IV. It must also file a Form BE-11B(LF), (SF), (FN), (EZ), or BE-11C as applicable, for each nonexempt foreign affiliate.

(ii) Forms BE-11B(LF), (SF), and (EZ) (Report for Majority-owned Nonbank Foreign Affiliate of Nonbank U.S. Reporter).

(A) A BE-11B(LF)(Long Form) must be filed for each majority-owned nonbank foreign affiliate of a nonbank U.S. Reporter for which any one of the three items—total assets, sales or gross operating revenues excluding sales taxes, or net income after provision for foreign income taxes—was greater than \$150 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year, unless the nonbank foreign affiliate is selected to be reported on Form BE-11B(EZ).

(B) A BE-11B(SF)(Short Form) must be filed for each majority-owned nonbank foreign affiliate of a nonbank U.S. Reporter for which any one of the

three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section was greater than \$40 million (positive or negative), but for which no one of these items was greater than \$150 million (positive or negative), at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year, unless the nonbank foreign affiliate is selected to be reported on Form BE-11B(EZ).

(C) A BE-11B(EZ) must be filed for each nonbank foreign affiliate of a nonbank U.S. Reporter that is selected to be reported on this form in lieu of Form BE-11B(LF) or Form BE-11B(SF).

(iii) Form BE-11B(FN) (Report for Foreign Affiliate of Bank U.S. Reporter and Bank Affiliate of Nonbank U.S. Reporter) must be filed for 1) each foreign affiliate (bank and nonbank) of a bank U.S. Reporter for which any one of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section was greater than \$250 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year and 2) each bank foreign affiliate of a nonbank U.S. Reporter for which any one of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section was greater than \$250 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year.

(iv) Form BE-11C (Report for Minority-owned Nonbank Foreign Affiliate of Nonbank U.S. Reporter) must be filed for each minority-owned nonbank foreign affiliate of a nonbank U.S. Reporter that is owned at least 20 percent, but not more than 50 percent, directly and/or indirectly, by all U.S. Reporters of the affiliate combined, and for which any one of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section was greater than \$40 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year. In addition, for the report covering fiscal year 2007 only, a Form BE-11C must be filed for each minority-owned nonbank foreign affiliate that is owned, directly or indirectly, at least 10 percent by one nonbank U.S. Reporter, but less than 20 percent by all nonbank U.S. Reporters of the affiliate combined, and for which any one of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section was greater than \$100 million (positive or negative) at the end of, or for, the affiliate's fiscal year.

(v) Based on the preceding, an affiliate is exempt from being reported if it meets any one of the following criteria:

(A) For nonbank affiliates of nonbank U.S. Reporters, none of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section exceeds \$40 million (positive or negative). However, affiliates that were established or acquired during the year and for which at least one of these items was greater than \$10 million but not

over \$40 million must be listed, and key data items reported, on a supplement schedule on Form BE-11A.

(B) For affiliates of bank U.S. Reporters and bank affiliates of nonbank U.S. Reporters, none of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section exceeds \$250 million (positive or negative). However, affiliates that were established or acquired during the year and for which at least one of these items was greater than \$10 million but not over \$250 million must be listed, and key data items reported, on a supplement schedule on Form BE-11A.

(C) For nonbank foreign affiliates of nonbank U.S. Reporters, for fiscal year 2007 only, it is less than 20 percent owned, directly or indirectly, by all U.S. Reporters of the affiliate combined and none of the three items listed in paragraph (f)(3)(ii)(A) of this section exceeds \$100 million (positive or negative).

(D) For fiscal years other than 2007, it is less than 20 percent owned, directly or indirectly, by all U.S. Reporters of the affiliate combined.

(vi) Notwithstanding paragraph (f)(3)(v) of this section, a Form BE-11B(LF), (SF), (FN), (EZ) or BE-11C must be filed for a foreign affiliate of the U.S. Reporter that owns another non-exempt foreign affiliate of that U.S. Reporter, even if the foreign affiliate parent is otherwise exempt. That is, all affiliates upward in the chain of ownership must be reported.

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PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

29 CFR Parts 4006 and 4007

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Premium Rates; Payment of Premiums; Flat Premium Rates, Variable-Rate Premium Cap, and Termination Premium; Deficit Reduction Act of 2005; Pension Protection Act of 2006

AGENCY: Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This is a final rule to amend PBGC's regulations on Premium Rates and Payment of Premiums to implement certain provisions of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-171) and the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-280) that are effective beginning in 2006 or 2007. The