

*Form Number:* FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a.

*Frequency of Response:* Quarterly.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for profit.

*For OCC:*

*OMB Number:* 1557-0100.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 50 (FFIEC 009); 50 (FFIEC 009a).

*Estimated Average Time per*

*Response:* 30 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 5.25 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:*

6,000 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 1,050 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

*For Board:*

*OMB Number:* 7100-0035.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 39 (FFIEC 009); 16 (FFIEC 009a).

*Estimated Average Time per*

*Response:* 30 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 5.25 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

*Total Annual Burden:* 4,680 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 336 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

*For FDIC:*

*OMB Number:* 3064-0017.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 35 (FFIEC 009); 35 (FFIEC 009a).

*Estimated Average Time per*

*Response:* 30 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 5.25 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:*

4,200 burden hours (FFIEC 009); 735 burden hours (FFIEC 009a).

### General Description of Reports

This information collection (FFIEC 009 and FFIEC 009a) is mandatory: 12 U.S.C. 161 and 1817 (for national banks); 12 U.S.C. 248(a), 1844(c), and 3906 (for state member banks and bank holding companies); and 12 U.S.C. 1817 and 1820 (for insured state nonmember commercial and savings banks). The FFIEC 009 information collection is given confidential treatment (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and (b)(8)). The FFIEC 009a information collection is not given confidential treatment. Small businesses (*i.e.*, small banks) are not affected.

### Abstract

The Country Exposure Report (FFIEC 009) is filed quarterly with the agencies and provides information on international claims of U.S. banks and bank holding companies that is used for supervisory and analytical purposes. The information is used to monitor country exposure of banks to determine the degree of risk in their portfolios and the possible impact on U.S. banks of adverse developments in particular countries. The Country Exposure Information Report (FFIEC 009a) is a supplement to the FFIEC 009 and provides publicly available information on material foreign country exposures

(all exposures to a country in excess of one percent of total assets or 20 percent of capital, whichever is less) of U.S. banks and bank holding companies that file the FFIEC 009 report. Reporting institutions must also furnish a list of countries in which they have lending exposures above 0.75 percent of total assets or 15 percent of total capital, whichever is less. No changes are proposed to the FFIEC 009 reporting forms or the FFIEC 009a reporting forms and instructions. However, minor clarifications are proposed to the FFIEC 009 instructions.

*Current actions:* The agencies received one comment letter in response to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on September 3, 1999 (64 FR 48453) requesting public comment on the extension without revision, with minor clarification to the FFIEC 009 instructions for the treatment of credit derivatives. The commenter supported an instructional clarification for the treatment of credit derivatives and recommended specific language. In addition, the commenter recommended the agencies clarify the treatment for securities reverse repurchase agreements (resale agreements) in these information collections.

After consideration of the comment letter, the agencies decided to clarify the treatment of credit derivatives in the instructions effective as of the June 30, 2000, report date. However, the agencies determined that further study of the impact of alternative treatments for resale agreements on these information collections is warranted. The agencies will reconsider the need for a clarification on the treatment of resale agreements after the issue has been studied further.

### Request for Comment

Comments are invited on:

- Whether the information collections are necessary for the proper performance of the agencies' functions, including whether the information has practical utility;
- The accuracy of the agencies' estimates of the burden of the information collections, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;
- Ways to minimize the burden of information collections on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and
- Estimates of capital or start up costs and costs of operation, maintenance,

and purchase of services to provide information.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be shared among the agencies. All comments will become a matter of public record. Written comments should address the accuracy of the burden estimates and ways to minimize burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology as well as other relevant aspects of the information collection request.

Dated: February 23, 2000.

**Mark J Tenhundfeld,**

*Assistant Director, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.*

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, February 28, 2000.

**Jennifer J. Johnson,**

*Secretary of the Board.*

Dated at Washington, DC, this 16th day of February, 2000.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**James D. LaPierre,**

*Deputy Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

[LR-27-83; LR-54-85]

### 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 existing temporary regulations, LR-27-83 (TD 7882), Floor Stocks Credits or Refunds and Consumer Credits or Refunds With Respect to Certain Tax-Repealed Articles; Excise Tax on Heavy Trucks (Section 145.4051-1) and LR-54-85 (TD 8050), Excise Tax on Heavy Trucks, Truck Trailers and Semitrailers, and Tractors; Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements (Section 145.4052-1).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 2, 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 regulations should be directed to Martha R. Brinson, (202) 622-3869, Internal Revenue Service, room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* (LR-27-83) Floor Stocks Credits or Refunds and Consumer Credits or Refunds With Respect to Certain Tax-Repealed Articles; Excise Tax on Heavy Trucks, and (LR-54-85) Excise Tax on Heavy Trucks, Truck Trailers and Semitrailers, and Tractors; Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0745

*Regulation Project Number:* LR-27-83; LR-54-85

*Abstract:* LR-27-83 requires sellers of trucks, trailers and semitrailers, and tractors to maintain records of the gross vehicle weights of articles sold to verify taxability. LR-54-85 requires that if the sale is to be treated as exempt, the seller and the purchaser must be registered and the purchaser must give the seller a resale certificate.

*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:* 4,100.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 1 hour, 1 minute.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,140

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: February 24, 2000.

**Garrick R. Shear,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Internal Revenue Service**

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 5472**

**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 5472, Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned U.S. Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 2, 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 Faye Bruce, (202) 622-6665, Internal Revenue Service, Room 5244, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned U.S. Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0805.

*Form Number:* 5472.

*Abstract:* Form 5472 is used to report information about transactions between a U.S. corporation that is 25% foreign owned or a foreign corporation that is engaged in a U.S. trade or business and related foreign parties. The IRS uses Form 5472 to determine if inventory or other costs deducted by the U.S. or foreign corporation are correct.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 75,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 23 hrs., 47 min.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,784,250.

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.