DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Small Business/Self-Employed Decreasing Non-Filers Project Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Small Business/Self-Employed Decreasing Non-Filers Project Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 17, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Robb at 1–888–912–1227 or 414–231–2360.

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 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Small Business/Self-**Employed Decreasing Non-Filers Project** Committee will be held Tuesday, April 17, 2012, at 1 p.m. Eastern Time via telephone conference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Ms. Patricia Robb. For more information please contact Ms. Robb at 1-888-912-1227 or 414–231–2360, or write TAP Office, Stop 1006MIL, 211 West Wisconsin Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203-2221, or post comments to the Web site: http://www.improveirs.org.

The agenda will include various IRS issues.

Dated: March 27, 2012.

Louis Morizio,

Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel. [FR Doc. 2012–8002 Filed 4–3–12; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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Open Season for Membership to the Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC)

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Request for Nominations and Applications.

SUMMARY: The Electronic Tax Administration Advisory Committee (ETAAC) was established to provide continued input into the development and implementation of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) strategy for electronic tax administration. The ETAAC provides an organized public forum for discussion of electronic tax administration issues in support of the overriding goal that paperless filing should be the preferred and most convenient method of filing tax and information returns. ETAAC members convey the public's perception of IRS electronic tax administration activities, offer constructive observations about current or proposed policies, programs, and procedures, and suggest improvements. Members of the ETAAC may not be federally registered lobbyists. This document seeks applicants for selection as committee members.

The Director, Return Preparer Office (RPO) will assure that the size and organizational representation of the ETAAC obtains balanced membership and includes representatives from various groups including: (1) Tax practitioners and preparers, (2) transmitters of electronic returns, (3) tax software developers, (4) large and small business, (5) employers and payroll service providers, (6) individual taxpayers, (7) financial industry (payers, payment options and best practices), (8) system integrators (technology providers), (9) academic (marketing, sales or technical perspectives), (10) trusts and estates, (11) tax exempt organizations, and (12) state and local governments. We are soliciting applicants from professional and public interest groups. Members will serve a three-year term on the ETAAC to allow for a rotation in membership which ensures that different perspectives are represented. All travel expenses within government guidelines will be reimbursed. Potential candidates must pass an IRS tax compliance check and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background investigation. **DATES:** The complete application

DATES: The complete application package must be received no later than Thursday, May 24, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Completed applications should be submitted using one of the following methods:

• Email: Send to etaac@irs.gov.

• *Mail*: Send to Internal Revenue Service, Return Preparer Office, SE:RPO 5000 Ellin Road (M/Stop C4–470, Attn: ETAAC Analyst (C4–213), Lanham, Maryland 20706. • *Fax:* Send via facsimile to (202) 283–2845 (not a toll-free number).

An application can be obtained by sending an email to *etaac@irs.gov* or calling (202) 283–2178 (not a toll-free number).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cassandra Daniels, (202) 283–2178 or send an email to etaac@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ETAAC will also provide an annual report to Congress on IRS progress in meeting the Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 goals for electronic filing of tax returns. This activity is based on the authority to administer the Internal Revenue laws conferred upon the Secretary of the Treasury by section 7801 of the Internal Revenue Code and delegated to the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue under section 7803 of the Internal Revenue Code. The ETAAC will research, analyze, consider, and make recommendations on a wide range of electronic tax administration issues and will provide input into the development of the strategic plan for electronic tax administration.

Applicants should describe and document their qualifications for membership to the Committee. Equal opportunity practices will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership will include, to the extent practicable, individuals, with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. The Secretary of Treasury will review the recommended candidates and make final selections.

Dated: March 28, 2012.

Diane Fox,

Director, Relationship Management Branch. [FR Doc. 2012–8004 Filed 4–3–12; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board; Notice of Meetings

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Public Law 92–463 (Federal Advisory Committee Act) that the panels of the Joint Biomedical Laboratory Research and Development and Clinical Science Research and Development Services Scientific Merit Review Board will meet

from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the dates indicated below:

| Panel | Date(s) | Location |
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| Hematology | May 23, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Mental Health and Behavioral Science-B | May 24, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Neurobiology-D | May 24–25, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Immunology-A | May 30, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Mental Health and Behavioral Science-A | May 31, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Surgery | May 31, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Endocrinology-B | June 1, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Neurobiology-A | June 1, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Clinical Application of Genetics | June 1, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Cardiovascular Studies | June 4, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Cellular and Molecular Medicine | June 4, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Infectious Diseases-A | June 4, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Epidemiology | June 6, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Clinical Research Program | June 7–8, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Infectious Diseases-B | June 8, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Neurobiology-E | June 8, 2012 | *VA Central Office. |
| Pulmonary Medicine | June 8, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Gastroenterology | June 11–12, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Endocrinology-A | June 14–15, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Neurobiology-C | June 14–15, 2012 | L'Enfant Plaza Hotel. |
| Oncology-A | June 14–15, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Nephrology | June 15, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |
| Eligibility | July 23, 2012 | Sheraton Suites—Old Town Alexandria. |

The addresses of the hotel and VA Central Office are:

L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC.

Sheraton Suites—Old Town Virginia, 801 North Saint Asaph Street, Alexandria, Virginia. *VA Central Office, 131 M Street NE., Washington, DC.

The purpose of the Board is to provide advice on the scientific quality, budget, safety and mission relevance of investigator-initiated research proposals submitted for VA merit review consideration. Proposals submitted for review by the Board involve a wide range of medical specialties within the general areas of biomedical, behavioral and clinical science research.

The panel meetings will be open to the public for approximately one-half hour at the start of each meeting to discuss the general status of the program. The remaining portion of each panel meeting will be closed to the public for the review, discussion, and evaluation of initial and renewal research proposals.

The closed portion of each meeting involves discussion, examination, reference to staff and consultant critiques of research proposals. During this portion of each meeting, discussions will deal with scientific merit of each proposal and qualifications of 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 could significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action regarding such research proposals. As provided by subsection 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, as amended, closing portions of these

panel meetings is in accordance with 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6) and (9)(B).

Those who plan to attend the general session or would like to obtain a copy of minutes of the panel meetings and rosters of the members of the panels should contact LeRoy G. Frey, Ph.D., Chief, Program Review (10P9B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, or call (202) 443-5674 or by email at Leroy.frey@va.gov.

By Direction of the Secretary. Dated: March 29, 2012.

Vivian Drake,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 2012-8037 Filed 4-3-12; 8:45 am]

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^{*}Teleconference.