SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Form 13560 will be provided in the HCTC Health Plan Administrator Operations Guide and may also be sent separately via email, fax, or mail to health plan administrators(HPAs). Form 13560 is completed by HPAs and accompanies a return of funds in order to ensure proper handling. The HPA is requested to send the completed form to one of the following applicable recipients: HCTC Finance & Accounting Center, Beckiey Finance Center, or the U.S. Treasury. This form serves as supporting documentation for any funds returned by an HPA and clarifies where the payment should be applied and why it is being sent. Additionally, recipients may contact the HCTC Finance & Accounting Center for help in completing this form. Internal Revenue Code Sections 35 and 7527 enacted by public law 107-210 (see attachment)require the Internal Revenue Service to make the advance HCTC Program available to eligible individuals beginning August 1, 2003. Form 13560 will help ensure that when an HPA returns funds, the payment will be applied correctly.

2. USE OF DATA

The data collected in Form 13560 will be used for internal purposes **only** by the applicable financial center to ensure that returned funds are applied correctly.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

There are no plans to provide electronic filing because electronic filing is not appropriate for the collection of information in this submission.

4. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION

We have attempted to eliminate duplication within the agency wherever possible.

5. METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER SMALL ENTITIES

Not applicable.

6. CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL

PROGRAMS OR POLICY ACTIVITIES

Not applicable.

7. SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING DATA COLLECTION TO BE INCONSISTENT WITH GUIDELINES IN 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)

Not applicable.

8. CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON AVAILABILITY OF DATA, FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS

In response to the Federal Register Notice dated September 4, 2007 (72 FR 50713), we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 13560.

9. EXPLANATION OF DECISION TO PROVIDE ANY PAYMENT OR GIFT TO RESPONDENTS

Not applicable

10. ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSES

Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential as required by 26 USC 6103.

11. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

Not applicable.

12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

Number of Time per Total Form Responses Response Hours

Form 13560 Number of Time Per Total

<u>Responses</u> <u>Response</u> <u>Hours</u>

200 .25 50

Estimates of the annualized cost to respondents for the hour burdens shown are not available at this time.

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

As suggested by OMB, our Federal Register Notice dated September 4, 2007 (72 FR 5072), requested public comments on estimates of cost burden that are not captured in the estimates of burden hours, i.e., estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. However, we did not receive any response from taxpayers on this subject. As a result, estimates of the cost burdens are not available at this time.

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The primary cost to the government consists of the cost of printing Form 13560. We estimate the cost of printing the form is \$100.00.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

Although the Form 13561 has been obsolete, there is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. We are making this submission to renew the OMB approval.

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

Not applicable.

17. REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE

See attachment.

18. EXCEPTIONS TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON OMB FORM 83-1

Not applicable.

Note: The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information in this submission:

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.