

## **Supporting Statement (Form 8801)**

### **1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION**

Section 53 of the Internal Revenue Code provides that taxpayers who had an alternative minimum tax liability in years after 1986 can claim a minimum tax credit in subsequent years for alternative minimum tax that was attributable to deferred preferences. Deferred preferences are adjustments and tax preference items other than itemized deductions, tax-exempt interest, the deduction for charitable contributions of appreciated property, and depletion.

### **2. USE OF DATA**

Form 8801 is used by individuals and fiduciaries to claim the minimum tax credit, if any, from the prior year's deferred preference items that caused an alternative minimum tax liability.

### **3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN**

We are currently offering electronic filing for Form 8801.

### **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**

Periodic meetings are held between IRS personnel and representatives of the American Bar Association, the National Society of Public Accountants, the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and other professional groups to discuss tax law and tax forms. During these meetings, there is an opportunity for those attending to make comments regarding Form 8801.

In response to the Federal Register Notice (73 FR 29179), dated May 20, 2008, we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 8801.

**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**

<u>Form</u>	<u>Number of Responses</u>	<u>Time per Response</u>	<u>Total Hours</u>
8801	12,914	6.90	89,107

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

**13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS**

As suggested by OMB, our Federal Register notice dated May 20, 2008, 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 responses from taxpayers on this subject. As a result, estimates of these 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 this form. We estimate that the cost of printing the form is \$672.

**15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN**

There are no changes being made to affect the overall burden. This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

**16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION**

Not applicable.

**17. REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE**

See attachment.

**18. EXCEPTION TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON OMB FORM 83-I**

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.