SUPPORTING STATEMENT

(Form 8827)

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Section 53(d) of the Internal Revenue Code allows corporations a minimum tax credit based on the full amount of alternative minimum tax incurred in tax years beginning after 1989, or allows a carryforward for use in future years.

2. USE OF DATA

The IRS uses Form 8827 to determine whether corporations have correctly figured their credit for prior year minimum tax.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

The low filing of Form 8827 does not justify the cost of electronic enabling.

4. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION

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

5. <u>METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER</u> SMALL ENTITIES

Not applicable.

6. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS</u> 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. <u>CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON AVAILABILITY OF DATA, FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS.</u>

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 8827.

In response to the Federal Register Notice dated June 13, 2011 (76 FR 34294), we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 8827.

9. <u>EXPLANATION OF DECISION TO PROVIDE ANY PAYMENT OR GIFT TO RESPONDENTS</u>

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 Responses	Time per Response	Total Hours
Form 8827	25,000	11.92 hr.	298,000

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 June 13, 2011 (76 FR 34294), 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 \$327.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

On line 8c, references to Form 1120 for reporting the refundable credit have been changed to Schedule J, Part II, line 19c (to reflect related changes to the 2011 Form 1120). On page 2, the Worksheet for Calculating the Refundable Minimum Tax Credit Amount was updated to reflect that the allowable amount for extension property applies to property placed in service before January 1, 2010. For 2011, the allowable amounts in lieu of depreciation for extension property will be deductible only as a pass-through amount from a partnership. The instructions will be further clarified to reflect this. (IRC sec. 168(k)(4)(H))

The allowable credit in lieu of for round 2 extension property applies for property placed in service after December 31, 2011. In addition, the refundable credit for round 2 extension property applies for unused minimum tax credits and not for unused research credit. The worksheet and the related instructions for Form 8827 were revised in 2010 to reflect the changes for fiscal year filers with a tax year ending after December 31, 2010. The changes will apply to all corporations for the 2011 tax year. The instructions for line 7b have been revised to reflect this. (IRC sec. 168(k)(2) and (K(4)(I)).

These changes resulted in a 19,250 decrease in total burden hours. 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.

OMB EXPIRATION DATE

We believe the public interest will be better served by not printing an expiration date on the form(s) in this package.

Printing the expiration date on the form will result in increased costs because of the need to replace inventories that become obsolete by passage of the expiration date each time OMB approval is renewed. Without printing the expiration date, supplies of the form could continue to be used.

The time period during which the current edition of the form(s) in this package will continue to be usable cannot be predicted. It could easily span several cycles of review and OMB clearance In addition, usage fluctuates unpredictably. makes it necessary to maintain a substantial inventory of forms in the supply line at all times. This includes supplied owned by both the Government and the public. Reprinting of the form cannot be reliably scheduled to coincide with an OMB approval This form may be privately printed by users at expiration date. their own expense. Some businesses print complex and expensive marginally punched continuous versions, their expense, for use in their computers. The form may be printed by commercial printers and stocked for sale. In such cases, printing the expiration date on the form could result in extra costs to the users.

Not printing the expiration date on the form(s) will also avoid confusion among taxpayers who may have identical forms with different expiration dates in their possession.

For the above reasons we request authorization to omit printing the expiration date on the form(s) in this package.