

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

This notice provides guidance to the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency regarding the suspension of certain income limitation requirements under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code for certain low-income housing tax credit properties as a result of the devastation caused by severe storms and tornadoes Oklahoma.

2. USE OF DATA

This information will be used to enable the Service and the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency to verify whether displaced individuals warrant temporary housing in vacant low-income housing credit projects in accordance with existing requirements under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

IRS Publications, Regulations, Notices and Letters are to be electronically enabled on an as practicable basis in accordance with the IRS Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998.

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

We will publish a notice in the Federal Register in the near future to solicit comments on this notice.

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

The recordkeeping requirement is in requirement IV. (3) of the notice. This information is required so that the Service and the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency are able to verify whether displaced individuals warrant temporary housing in vacant low-income housing credit projects in accordance with existing requirements under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. The estimated annual burden per recordkeeper is 30 minutes. The estimated number of recordkeepers is 50. The estimated total annual recordkeeping burden is 25 hours.

In addition to any information and certifications required from operators of Projects under § 142(d)(7), Issuers must maintain and certify certain information concerning each displaced individual temporarily housed in the Project. The records must contain the following information: the name of the displaced individual, the address of the damaged residence of the displaced individual, the displaced individual's social security number, and a statement signed under penalties of perjury by the displaced individual that, because of damage to the individual's residence in a jurisdiction designated for Individual Assistance by FEMA as a result of the devastation caused by the severe storms and tornadoes

in Oklahoma beginning on May 18, 2013, the individual requires temporary housing. In addition, the Issuer must keep accurate records of its approval of the Project's use for displaced individuals and the approved Temporary Housing Period and the dates during which displaced individuals occupied units in the Projects.

The recordkeeping described under this paragraph must be included as part of the books and records of the Issuer and also must be maintained in a manner that is consistent with any compliance monitoring process imposed by § 142(d).

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

Estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information are not available at this time.

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Not applicable.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

Not applicable. This is a new collection.

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

Not applicable.

17. REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE

We believe that displaying the OMB expiration date is inappropriate because it could cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the notice sunsets as of the expiration date. Taxpayers are not likely to be aware that the Service intends to request renewal of the OMB approval and obtain a new expiration date before the old one expires.

18. EXCEPTIONS 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.

REASON FOR EMERGENCY APPROVAL

This notice is effective May 20, 2013 (the date of the President's major disaster declaration for devastation caused by severe storms and tornadoes in Oklahoma during the period beginning May 18, 2013). Displaced and homeless individuals, property owners, and the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency urgently need the guidance in this notice.