## SUPPORTING STATEMENT Publication 1075

#### 1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Section 6103(p)(4)(E) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) imposes reporting requirements on agencies, bodies and commissions which receive returns and return information from IRS. They are required to describe the procedures they have established to ensure the confidentiality of the information.

#### 2. USE OF DATA

The IRS uses this information as one means of determining if those agencies and organizations are safeguarding returns/return information as required by IRC 6103 (p)(4), and when preparing annual reports to Congress as required by IRC section 6103(p)(5).

#### 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. Only one IRS function (the Office of Governmental Liaison and Disclosure) is assigned the responsibility of requiring and receiving the reports relating to IRC 6103(p)(4). The Office of Governmental Liaison and Disclosure coordinates with various security and other functions of the IRS, and with Treasury, to maintain this one document (IRS Publication 1075) which provides the requirements and guidelines for the reports.

## 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> <u>OR POLICY ACTIVITIES</u>

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 received no comments during the comment period in response to the **Federal Register** Notice dated **April 23, 2013** (78 FR 23980).

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

Not applicable.

#### 10. ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSES

The reports will be treated in a confidential manner. IRS will use the reports only for the administration of IRC section 6103(p).

## 11. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

Not applicable.

#### 12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

The burden estimate is as follows:

Number of Time Per Total

Responses Response Hours

Pub 1075 5,100

40 Hours 204,000

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 **April 23, 2013**, 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 COSTS TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

After consulting with various functions within the Service, we estimate that the costs of developing, printing, processing and distributing Publication 1075 and evaluating the required reports is \$128,000 a year.

Respondents' costs of preparing and mailing reports are estimated to total \$386,000.

### 15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

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-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 EXPTRATION 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 renewal. In addition, usage fluctuates unpredictably. This 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 expiration date. This form may be privately printed by users at 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.