

SUPPORTING STATEMENT
(Form 1128)

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Section 442 of the Internal Revenue Code requires that a change in a taxpayer's annual accounting period be approved by the Secretary. Under section 1.442-1(b) of the Income Tax Regulations, a taxpayer must file Form 1128 to secure prior approval unless the taxpayer can automatically make the change.

2. USE OF DATA

This data is used by IRS to ascertain whether a taxpayer has a business purpose for making the change. Consideration will be given as to whether the taxpayer has complied with the regulations and established a business purpose for making the change. The agreement between the taxpayer and IRS under which the change will be made shall, if appropriate, provide terms, conditions, and adjustments necessary to prevent a substantial distortion of income.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Low filing volume does not justify the electronic enabling of Form 1128.

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 1128.

In response to the **Federal Register notice** dated **March 14, 2013 (78 FR 16364)**, we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 1128.

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>Total Responses</u>	<u>No. of Response</u>	<u>Time per Hours</u>
			1128 PT I & II
			7,788
			20.73
			161,446
1128 PT I & III	<u>2,000</u>		35.31

9,788

70,620

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232,066

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

We have reviewed the following regulations and have determined that the reporting requirements contained in them are entirely reflected on the form. The justification appearing in Item I of the supporting statement applies both to these regulations and to the form. Please continue to assign OMB number 1545-0134 to these regulations.

1.441-3T(e)

1.442-1

1.442-2T(g)(3)

1.706-1(b)

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

As suggested by OMB, our **Federal Register** notice dated **March 14, 2010 (78 FR 16364)**, 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 1128. We estimate that the cost of printing the form is \$1,853.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There is no change to 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.