SUPPORTING STATEMENT OMB # 1545-1931

1. <u>CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION</u>

The final regulations provide special rules relating to designed Roth contributions under a section 401(k) plan. Under section 1.401(k)-l(f)(1) or the regulations, one of the requirements that must be met for contributions to be considered designated Roth contribution is that they must be maintained by the plan in a separate account. Section 1.401(k) - l(f)(2) of the regulations provides that, under the separate accounting requirement, contributions and withdrawals of designated Roth contributions must be credited and debited to a designated Roth contribution account maintained for the employee who made the designation and the plan must maintain a record of the employee's investment in the contract employee's designated Roth contribution account. TD 9324 amended 1.401(k)-1(f), which made some revision to clarify and expand rules under 1.401(k)-1(f)(1); renumbered -1(f)(2) to (3) with revisions.

2. <u>USE OF DATA</u>

The collections of information contained in section 1.401(k)-l(f)(1)&(2), are required by the IRS to comply with requirements of sections 402A(b)(2) regarding the separate accounting and recordkeeping. TD 9324 amended 1.401(k)-1(f), which made some revision to clarify and expand rules under 1.401(k)-1(f)(1); renumbered -1(f)(2) to (3) with revisions.

3. <u>USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN</u>

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. <u>EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION</u>

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

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

We have attempted to minimize the burden on small businesses or other small entities wherever possible.

6. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS</u> <u>OR POLICY ACTIVITIES</u>

Not applicable.

7. <u>SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING DATA COLLECTION TO BE</u> <u>INCONSISTENT WITH GUIDELINES IN 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2)</u>

Not applicable.

8. <u>CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON</u> <u>AVAILABILITY OF DATA, FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY</u> <u>OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS</u>

This final regulation (TD 9237) was published in the *Federal Register* on January 3, 2006, (71 FR 6). TD 9324 amended 1.401(k)-1 was published in the *Federal Register* on April 30, 2007, (72 FR 21103).

In response to the *Federal Register* Notice dated September 24, 2013, (78 FR 58609), we received no comments during the comment period regarding these revenue procedures.

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

In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, Treasury has published its complete Privacy Act systems of records notices, which include all maintained records systems as of January 2, 2014; six systems have been amended, altered, or added since April 20, 2010, when the complete notices were last published. See 79 F.R. 209-261 and 79 F.R. 183-206, which was published on January 2, 2014.

A privacy impact assessment (PIA) has been conducted for information collected under this request as part of the "Business Master File (BMF)" system and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for this system under IRS 24.046-Customer Account Data Engine Business Master File. The Department of Treasury PIAs can be found at http://www.treasury.gov/privacy/PIAs/Pages/default.aspx.

Title 26 USC 6109 requires inclusion of identifying numbers in returns, statements, or other documents for securing proper identification of persons required to make such returns, statements, or documents and is the authority for social security numbers (SSNs) in IRS systems.

12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

Section 1.401(k) - l(f)(1)&(2) requires that designated Roth contributions be maintained in a separate account. TD 9324 amended 1.401(k) - 1(f), which made some revision to clarify and expand rules under 1.401(k) - 1(f)(1); renumbered -1(f)(2) to (3) with revisions. We estimate that 157,500 employers will develop and maintain separate accounting for designated Roth contributions that will take each employer 1 hour to complete. Therefore, we estimate the total recordkeeping burden for this provision to be 157,500 hours.

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 September 24, 2013, (78 FR 58609), 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 the cost burdens are not available at this time.

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Not applicable.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There are no changes to the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. This submission is for renewal purposes only.

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

Not applicable.

17. <u>REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS</u> <u>INAPPROPRIATE</u>

We believe that displaying the OMB expiration date is inappropriate because it could cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the regulations sunset 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.

<u>Note</u>: 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.