SUPPORTING STATEMENT OMB No. 1545-2244

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Notices 2013-39 and Notice 2013-40 provide 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. <u>METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER</u> <u>SMALL</u> ENTITIES

Not applicable.

6. <u>CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS 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

Notice 2013-39 was published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin on June 17, 2013 (IRB 2013-25, 1252).

Notice 2013-40 was also published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin on June 17, 2013 (IRB 2013-25, 1254)

We received no comments during the comment period in response to the Federal Register notice dated September 13, 2013.

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

Certifications and recordkeeping requirements enable 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.

Notice	Responses	Total Burden
2013-39	50	25
2013-40	1,200	300
Totals	1,250	325

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 as prescribed under the notices. 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

As suggested by OMB, our Federal Register notice dated September 13, 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 COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Not applicable.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

Notice 2013-39 and Notice 2013-40 have been combined in this collection. This result is a net increase of 300 burden hours. 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

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.

<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.