SUPPORTING STATEMENT OMB #1545-1548 Revenue Procedure 2013-30 Unified Late S Corp Election Revenue Procedure

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

This revenue procedure provides the exclusive simplified methods for taxpayers to request relief for late S corporation elections, Electing Small Business Trust (ESBT) elections, Qualified Subchapter S Trust (QSST) elections, Qualified Subchapter S Subsidiary (QSUB) elections, and late corporate classification elections which the taxpayer intended to take effect on the same date that the taxpayer intended that an S corporation election for the entity should take effect. This revenue procedure provides relief if the taxpayer satisfies the general requirements of Section 4 and the specific requirements applicable to that taxpayer under Sections 5 through 7 of this revenue procedure. The information collection requirements are the statements from shareholders, trustees, or officers to be included with their completed Election Form.

This revenue procedure provides procedures for situations within its scope that are in lieu of letter ruling process ordinarily used to obtain relief for a late Election Under Subchapter S (as defined in Section 4.01(5)) pursuant to § 1362 (b) (5), § 1362 (f), or § 301.9100-1 and § 301.9100-3.

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

The collection of information in this revenue procedure will help the Service to determine whether a taxpayer has reasonable cause for failing to make a timely election and whether the eligibility requirements for obtaining relief have been met.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

We have no plans to offer electronic filing. 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 SMALL ENTITIES</u>

There are no methods to minimize burden on small businesses or small entities.

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

Consequences of less frequent collection on federal programs or policy activities would result in taxpayers failing to make the timely election and the eligibility requirements for obtaining relief.

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

There are no special circumstances requiring data collection to be inconsistent with Guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

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

This revenue procedure modifies and supersedes Revenue Procedures 2003-43, 2004-48, and 2007-62. This revenue procedure supersedes Situation 1 and obsoletes Situation 2 of Rev. Proc. 97-48. This revenue procedure modifies and supersedes sections 4.01 and 4.02 and obsoletes section 4.03 of Rev. Proc. 2004-49.

We received no comments during the comment period in response to the *Federal Register* notice (80 FR 44427), dated July 27, 2015.

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

No payment or gift has been provided to any respondents.

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

No personally identifiable information (PII) is collected.

12. <u>ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION</u>

This revenue procedure provides relief if the taxpayer satisfies the general requirements of

Section 4 and the specific requirements applicable to that taxpayer under Sections 5 through 7 of this revenue procedure. The information collection requirements are the statements from shareholders, trustees, or officers to be included with their completed Election Form. The Requesting Entity must file the applicable Election Form with the applicable IRS Service center by either:

- (a) Attaching the Election Form to the S corporation's current year Form 1120S. In the case of an S corporation that has filed all Forms 1120S for tax years between the Effective Date and the current year, the Election Form (s) can be attached to the current year Form 1120S as long as the current year Form 1120S is filed within 3 years and 75 days after the Effective Date. An extension of time to file the current year Form 1120S will not extend the due date for relief under this revenue procedure beyond 3 years and 75 days following the Effective Date.
- (b) Attaching the Election Form to the S corporation's prior year Form 1120S. In the case of an S corporation that has not filed Form 1120S (or any other income tax return or information return (within the meaning of Subpart A of Part III of Subchapter A of Chapter 61)) for the tax year including the Effective Date or any year following the Effective Date, an Election Form may be attached to the Form 1120S for the year including the Effective Date as long as (i) the Form 1120S for the year including the Effective Date is filed within 3 years and 75 days after the Effective Date, and (ii) all other delinquent Forms 1120S are filed simultaneously and consistently with the requested relief.

Supporting statements must be signed under Penalties of Perjury. The Reasonable Cause/Inadvertence Statement (required by Section 4.03 (1)) and other statements required by Sections 5, 6, and 7, as applicable, must each contain a dated declaration that states: "Under penalties of perjury, I (we) declare that I (we) have examined this election, including accompanying documents, and, to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief, the election contains all the relevant facts relating to the election, and such facts are true, correct, and complete." An officer of the S corporation authorized to sign, the trustee of the ESBT, the current income beneficiary of the QSST, or a shareholder, as applicable, must sign the declaration.

The burden associated with the election forms identified in this revenue procedure, such as the Form 8869, "Qualified Subchapter S Subsidiary Election," and the Form 2553, "Election by a Small Business Corporation, are cleared under OMB numbers 1545-1700 and 1545-0123, respectively. The estimated total annual reporting burden is 50,000 hours.

The estimated annual burden per respondent varies from .5 hours to 1 hour, depending on individual circumstances, with an estimated average burden of 1 hour to complete the statement. The estimated number of respondents is 50,000. The estimated annual frequency of responses is on occasion.

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

There are no capital/start-up or ongoing operation/ maintenance cost associated with this information collection.

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

There is no annualized cost to the federal government.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

This request is for the reinstatement of an expired information collection. There is no actual change in burden.

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

There are no plans for tabulation, statistical analysis and publication.

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 revenue procedure 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

There are no exceptions to the certification statement.

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.