# SUPPORTING STATEMENT Form 8038-B OMB# 1545-2161

## 1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 created three types of build America bonds. Section 54AA added both Tax Credit and Direct Pay build America bonds. Section 1400U-2 added recovery zone economic development bonds, a form of Direct Pay build America bonds. Form 8038-B has been developed to assist issuers of the new types of Build America and Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds enacted under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 to capture information required by IRC section 149(e).

## 2. USE OF DATA

Issuers of Build America and Recovery Zone Economic Development Bonds report information to the IRS that is required under IRC section 149(e). IRS will use the information to verify the proper amount of bonds credit.

## 3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

We have no plans at this time to offer electronic filing. The form will be available in a fillable-printable format online.

## 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

There are no small entities affected by this collection.

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

Consequences of less frequent collection on federal programs or policy activities could result in a decrease in the amount of taxes collected by the service, inaccurate and untimely filing of tax returns, and an increase in tax violations.

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

There are no special circumstances requiring data collection to be inconsistent with guidelines in 5 CFR 1320(d)(2).

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

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 8038-B.

In response to the Federal Register notice (81 FR 60124), dated August 31, 2016, we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 8038-B.

## 9. EXPLANATION OF DECISION TO PROVIDE ANY PAYMENT OR GIFT TO 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

A privacy impact assessment (PIA) has been conducted for information collected under this request as part of the "Business Master file (BMF)" and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for these systems under IRS 22.062 – Electronic Filing Records; IRS 24.030 – Customer Account Data Engine (CADE) Individual Master File; IRS 24.046 - CADE Business Master File (BMF); IRS 34.037 - IRS Audit Trail and Security Records System. The Internal Revenue Service PIA's can be found at <u>http://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA</u>.

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

The burden estimate is as follows:			
Form	Number of Responses	Time Per Response	Total Hours
Form 8038-B	5,880	19 hrs. 19 mins.	113,661

## 13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

There is no estimated cost burden to respondents.

# 14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Printing costs approximately \$1,000.

## 15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There is no change to the paperwork burden associated with this collection. This submission is for renewal purposes only.

## 16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

The IRS may, through a website or in a publication, release the issuer; name and address, name and description of bond issue, date of issuance, CUSIP number, final maturity date, and stated redemption price at maturity, to assist in the proper reporting of interest, tax credits, or other benefits under section 6049 and regulations thereunder.

#### 17. REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS INAPPROPRIATE

See attached.

## 18. EXCEPTIONS TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON OMB PRA SUBMISSION FORM

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.