# SUPPORTING STATEMENT Internal Revenue Service Notice 2002-69, Interest Rates and Appropriate Foreign Loss Payment Patterns For Determining the Qualified Insurance Income of Certain Controlled Corporations under Section 954(f) Notice 2002-69 OMB No. 1545-1799

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

This notice allows U.S. shareholders of a foreign insurance company to use the foreign insurance company's historical loss payment patterns in computing the company's insurance reserves provided the company has a certain number of years of data and makes an election to use that data. A domestic insurance company can elect to use its own historical data in computing its reserves provided certain requirements are satisfied and an election is made. This notice allows a foreign insurance company to elect to calculate its insurance reserves in a manner similar to a domestic insurance company. Also, this notice provides guidance on how to determine a foreign insurance company's foreign loss payment patterns.

## 2. USE OF DATA

The data will be used by IRS examiners to determine whether U.S. shareholders of foreign insurance company's are calculating the insurance reserves of the foreign insurance company correctly for purposes of section 954(i).

### 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. There are no plans to provide electronic filing because electronic filing is not appropriate for the collection of information in this submission.

## 4. EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION

The information obtained through this collection is unique and is not already available for use or adaptation from another source.

#### 5. METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER SMALL ENTITIES

There are no small businesses or other small entities affected by this form.

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

A less frequent collection will not enable the IRS to meet its mission by verifying the foreign tax credits are being computed properly and in accordance with Internal Revenue Code § 26 USC 954(i), and will hinder the IRS from meeting its mission.

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

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

In response to the Federal Register notice dated October 1, 2018 (83 FR 49453), we received no comments during the comment period for these revenue procedures.

## 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

No personally identifiable information (PII) is collected.

### 12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

Under section V (entitled Applicable Loss Payment Pattern) of Notice 2002-69, U.S. shareholders of a foreign insurance company may elect, provided certain conditions are satisfied, to calculate foreign insurance reserves of the companies using the company's historical payment pattern data. U.S. shareholders making this election will be large U.S. insurance companies conducting business in foreign countries through controlled foreign corporations. We estimate that no more than 300 large insurance companies will need to make an annual submission with respect to their controlled foreign corporations. The estimated annual burden will be about one hour per respondent for a total 300 hours for all companies each year.

Authority	Description	# Respondents	# Responses Per Respondent	# Annual Response S	Hours Per Response	Total Burden
Notice 2002-69	Interest Rates and Appropriate Foreign Loss Payment Patterns For Determining the Qualified Insurance Income of Certain Controlled Corporations under Section 954(f)	300	1	300	1	300
TOTAL		300		300		300 hours

## 13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

To ensure more accuracy and consistency across its information collections, IRS is currently in the process of revising the methodology it uses to estimate burden and costs. Once this methodology is complete, IRS will update this information collection to reflect a more precise estimate of burden and costs.

## 14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal government cost estimate is based on a model that considers the following three cost factors for each information product: aggregate labor costs for development, including annualized start up expenses, operating and maintenance expenses, and distribution of the product that collects the information.

The government computes cost using a multi-step process. First, the government creates a weighted factor for the level of effort to create each information collection product based on variables such as; complexity, number of pages, type of product and frequency of revision. Second, the total costs associated with developing the product such as labor cost, and operating expenses associated with the downstream impact such as support functions, are added together to obtain the aggregated total cost. Then, the aggregated total cost and factor are multiplied together to obtain the aggregated cost per product. Lastly, the aggregated cost per product is added to the cost of shipping and printing each product to IRS offices, National Distribution Center, libraries and other outlets. The result is the Government cost estimate per product.

The government cost estimate for this collection is \$0.

	Requested	Program Change Due to New Statute	Program Change Due to Agency Discretion	Change Due to Adjustment in Agency Estimate	Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA	Previously Approved
Annual Number of Responses for this IC	300	0	0	0	0	300
Annual Time Burden (Hr)	300	0	0	0	0	300

# 15. <u>REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN</u>

## 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 would cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the form sunsets as of the expiration date.

Taxpayers may not be aware that the IRS 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 for this collection.

**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.