# Internal Revenue Service Supporting Statement OMB Number 1545-0973 Form 8569 Geographic Availability Statement

#### 1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Form 8569, Geographic Availability Statement, is used to collect information from applicants for the Senior Executive Service Candidate Development Program (CDP) and other executive positions. The form states an applicants' minimum area of availability and is used for future job placement consideration.

#### 2. USE OF DATA

The information provided on this form is used by executive panels responsible for screening applicants for the CDP and other executive positions. The data is used as an additional source of information; it is not an "in or out" methodology. The panels utilize the information contained on the Geographic Availability Statement, along with the other information collected in response to the vacancy announcement, during the screening process for the CDP and other executive positions.

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

There is no plan to offer electronic filing for this collection due to the low volume of filers.

#### 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 is no burden on small businesses or entities by this collection due to the inapplicability of the authorizing statute to this type of entity.

# 6. CONSEQUENCES OF LESS FREQUENT COLLECTION ON FEDERAL PROGRAMS OR POLICY ACTIVITIES

A less frequent collection will not enable the IRS to determine an applicants' minimum area of availability when screening for the Senior Executive Service CDP and other

executive positions. This could result in the IRS being unable to meet its mission.

# 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

We received no comments during the comment period in response to the **Federal Register** notice (83 FR 47241), dated September 18, 2018.

# 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. <u>JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS</u>

A privacy impact assessment (PIA) has been conducted for information collected under this request as part of the "Individual Master File (IMF)" system and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for this system under IRS 24.030-CADE Individual Master File and IRS 34.037 IRS Audit Trail and Security Records System. The Department of Treasury PIAs can be found at <a href="http://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA">http://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA</a>

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.

Not applicable.

#### ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

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<u>Form</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Respondents</u>	<u>Responses per</u> <u>Respondent</u>	Annual Responses	<u>Hours per</u> <u>Response</u>	<u>Total Burden</u>
Form 8569	500	1	500	.167	84
Totals	500		500		84

Estimates of annualized cost to respondents for the hour burdens shown above are not available at this time.

#### 13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENT

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 primary cost to the government consists of the cost of printing Form 8569. We estimate that the cost of printing the form is \$200.

#### 15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. We are making this submission to renew the OMB approval.

#### 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

IRS believes that displaying the OMB expiration date is inappropriate because it could cause confusion by leading taxpayers to believe that the regulation 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. EXCEPTION TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON OMB FORM 83-I

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.