SUPPORTING STATEMENT

Internal Revenue Service Form 8586, Low-Income Housing Credit OMB# 1545-0984

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

Section 42 provides rules for determining the amount of the low-income housing credit, which section 38 allows as a credit against income tax. Section 42(a) provides that the amount of the low-income housing credit for any taxable year in the credit period is an amount equal to the applicable percentage of the qualified basis of each qualified low-income building. Section 42(c)(2) defines a qualified low-income building as any building that is part of a qualified low-income housing project always during the compliance period (the period of 15 taxable years beginning with the first taxable year of the credit period).

TD 9753, published March 14, 2016, (2016-11 IRB 426), contains final and temporary regulations relating to the compliance-monitoring duties of a State or local housing credit agency for purposes of the low-income housing credit. The final and temporary regulations revise and clarify the requirement to conduct physical inspections and review low-income certifications and other documentation. The final and temporary regulations will affect State or local housing credit agencies. The text of these temporary regulations also serves as the text of the proposed regulations (REG-150349-12).

Use Form 8586 to claim the low-income housing credit. This general business credit is allowed for each new qualified low-income building placed in service after 1986. Generally, it is taken over a 10-year credit period.

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

Owners of qualified residential rental buildings in low-income housing projects use Form 8586 to figure the amount of their low-income housing credit, a component of the general business credit. IRS uses the form to verify the proper amount of credit.

3. <u>USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN</u>

Form 8586 is enabled for electronic filing.

4. <u>EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY DUPLICATION</u>

The information obtained through this collection is unique and is not already available for use or adaptation from another source. This general business credit is allowed for each new qualified low-income building placed in service after 1986. Taxpayers, other than partnerships, S corporations, estates, or trusts, whose only source of this credit is from those pass-through entities, are not required to complete or file this form. Instead, they can report this credit directly on Form 3800.

5. <u>METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER</u> <u>SMALL ENTITIES</u>

It has also been determined that section 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 5) does not apply to these regulations, and because these regulations do not impose a collection of information on small entities, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 6) does not apply. Pursuant to section 7805(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, these regulations have been submitted to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration for comment on their impact on small business.

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

Consequences of less frequent collection on federal programs or policy activities would result in, an increase of taxpayers claiming the tax credit for part of the cost of constructing or rehabilitating such low-income housing.

7. <u>SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRING DATA COLLECTION TO BE</u> 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. <u>CONSULTATION WITH INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF THE AGENCY ON</u> <u>AVAILABILITY OF DATA, FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF</u> <u>INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS</u>

On March 5, 2012, the Treasury Department and the IRS published Notice 2012–18, 2012–10 IRB 438. Notice 2012–18 informed State and local housing credit agencies participating in a physical inspections pilot program of an alternative method for satisfying certain inspection and review responsibilities under § 1.42–5(c)(2) for projects for which the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducted physical inspections.1 Notice 2012–18 also requested comments on various issues relating to § 1.42–5. The Treasury Department and the IRS received written and electronic comments in response. After consideration of all the comments received, the Treasury Department and the IRS issued final and temporary regulations through TD 9753 and REG-150349-12.

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 8586. In response to the **Federal Register** notice dated December 18, 2018 (83 FR 64935), we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 8586.

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

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 "Individual Master File (IMF)" systems, and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for this system under IRS Treas/IRS 24.046 BMF, Treas/IRS 34.047 Audit Trail and Security Records, and Treas/IRS 24.030 CADE Individual Master File. The Internal Revenue Service PIAs can be found at:

https://www.irs.gov/uac/Privacy-Impact-Assessments-PIA

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

This general business credit is allowed for each new qualified low-income building placed in service after 1986. Taxpayers, other than partnerships, S corporations, estates, or trusts, whose only source of this credit is from those pass-through entities, are not required to complete or file Form 8586. Instead, they can report this credit directly on Form 3800. This request package is only for those taxpayers whom file Form 8586.

The burden estimate is as follows:

				Hours	
OMB			Annual	per	Total
Collection	Authority	Form	Responses	Response	Burden
IRS	IRC				
1545-0984	42	8586	779	8.80	6855
	IRS TOTAL		779		6855

The following regulations impose no additional burden. Please continue to assign OMB number 1545-0984 to these regulations.

1.42-1 1.42-1T 1.42-5 1.42-5T

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

As suggested by OMB, our Federal Register notice dated December 18, 2018, 83 FR 64935, 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 responses from taxpayers on this subject. As a result, estimates of these cost burdens are not available.

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 summarized in the table below.

Product	<u>Aggregate</u> <u>Cost per</u> <u>Product</u> (factor applied)		<u>Printing</u> <u>and</u> <u>Distributio</u> n		<u>Government</u> <u>Cost</u> <u>Estimate</u> per Product		
Form	10,936		0		10,936		
Grand Total					10,936		
Table costs are based on 2018 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Office and Media and Publications							
* New product costs will be included in the next collection update.							

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There are no changes to the collection however the estimates are being updated to eliminate double counting associated with the business collection.

The information collection requirements and burden associated business for Form 8586 is accounted for in OMB control number 1545-0123, U. S. Business Income Tax Return and has been removed from this information collection 1545-0984.

	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
Annual Number of Responses for this IC	779	0	-7007	0	0	7786
Annual IC Time Burden (Hours)	6855	0	-61662	0	0	68517

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

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

17. <u>REASONS WHY DISPLAYING THE OMB EXPIRATION DATE IS</u> <u>INAPPROPRIATE</u>

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 OMB approval and obtain a new expiration date before the old one expires.

18. <u>EXCEPTIONS TO THE CERTIFICATION STATEMENT</u>

There are no exceptions to the certification statement.

Note: The following paragraph applies to all 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.