SUPPORTING STATEMENT Internal Revenue Service TD 9207, Assumption of Partner Liabilities

OMB Control Number 1545-1843

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

Internal Revenue Code (IRC) section 752 defines the treatment of certain partner and partnership liabilities. Treasury Decision (TD) 9207 contains final regulations relating to the definition of liabilities under IRC section 752. These regulations provide rules regarding a partnership's assumption of certain fixed and contingent obligations in connection with the issuance of a partnership interest and provide conforming changes to certain regulations.

Treasury Regulations section 1.752-7 requires a partnership to notify the partner of the satisfaction of certain liabilities described in the regulation, providing the partner with specific information regarding the partnership's assumption of liability. The partner must attach this notification to their tax return for the year in which the loss is being claimed.

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

The partner, or former partner, will use the information to claim any allowable deduction, loss, or capital expense associated with the Treasury Regulations section 1.752-7 liability on their tax return. The IRS will use the information to prevent the acceleration or duplication of loss associated with the assumption of liability.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Because there are no reporting requirements associated with TD 9207, electronic filing is not possible. IRS publication, 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, P.L. 105-206.

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

The collection of information requirement will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

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

Consequences of less frequent collection on federal programs or policy activities would consist

of decreased amount of taxes collected by the IRS, inaccurate and untimely filing of tax returns, and an increase in tax violations.

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 ONAVAILABILITY OF DATA,</u> <u>FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION, CLARITY OF INSTRUCTIONS AND FORMS, AND DATA ELEMENTS</u>

We received no comments during the comment period in response to the Federal Register notice (86 FR 57266), dated October 14, 2021.

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 U.S.C. 6103.

11. JUSTIFICATION OF SENSITIVE QUESTIONS

There is no sensitive personally identifiable information (PII) in this collection.

12. ESTIMATED BURDEN OF INFORMATION COLLECTION

Treasury Regulations sections 1.752-7(e), (f), and (g) require a partnership to disclose information regarding an assumption of liability to an affected partner. Section 1.752-7(h) requires the affected partner to disclose this information to the IRS to support claims associated with the assumption of liability on their tax return. This information is required for a former or current partner of a partnership to take deductions, losses, or capital expenses attributable to the satisfaction of the section 1.752-7 liability. The IRS anticipates that there will be approximately 250 respondents annually and a per response time of 30 minutes per respondent. The estimated burden for this collection of information is shown below.

Authority	Description	# of Respondents	# Responses per Respondent	Annual Responses	Hours per Response	Total Burden Hours
	TD 9207 Notification					
IRC 752	requirements	250	1	250	.5	125
Totals		250		250		125

The following regulation imposes no additional burden. Please continue to assign OMB number 1545-1843 to this regulation.

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13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

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

14. ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

There are no annualized costs to the Federal government outside of regular agency activities such as taxpayer assistance and enforcement.

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. The IRS is 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

The 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 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.

<u>Note</u>: 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.