**SUPPORTING STATEMENT**

Internal Revenue Service

Credit for Employer-Provided Childcare Facilities and Services. (Form 8882)

OMB # **1545-1809**

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

Section 205(a) of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001, PL 107-16, provided for a new credit for employers; Form 8882, Credit for Employer-Provided Childcare Facilities and Services, under new IRC 45F. The credit was made permanent by section 101 of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, P.L. 112-240.

The credit is part of the General Business Credit. The credit is limited to $150,000 per taxable year. Employers use Form 8882 to claim the credit for qualified childcare facilities, and resource and referral expenditures.

2. USE OF DATA

Employers use Form 8882 to claim the credit for qualified childcare facilities, and resource and referral expenditures. The data collected will be used by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to determine that the proper general business credit is claimed by the employer.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Electronic filing of Form 8882 is currently available.

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

The collections of information in this form permits the IRS to determine the proper general business credit claimed by the employer. Consequences of less frequent collection of this information could result in an increase of fraudulent or incorrect claims for tax credit.

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

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 on Form 8882.

A Federal Register Notice (87 FR 1256) was published regarding the burden for Form 8882 on January 10, 2022, inviting public comments. No comments were received.

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

There are no special circumstances requiring payment or gift to be provided to any respondent(s).

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 “Individual Master file (IMF)”, “Business Master file (BMF)” and a Privacy Act System of Records notice (SORN) has been issued for these systems under 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 <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

Employers use Form 8882 to claim the credit for qualified childcare facility and resource and referral expenditures. The credit is part of the general business credit.

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated burden for individual and business taxpayers filing this form is approved under OMB control number 1545-0074 and 1545-0123 and is included in the estimates shown in the instructions for their individual and business income tax return. The estimated burden for all other taxpayers who file this form is shown below:

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| **OMB Collection** | **Authority** | **Form** | **Annual Responses** | **Hours per Response** | **Total Burden** |
| IRS  1545-1809 | IRC sections 45F | 8882 | 286 | 3.68 | 1,053 |
|  | **IRS TOTAL** |  | **286** |  | **1,053** |

13. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

As suggested by OMB, the *Federal Register* notice dated January 10, 2022, 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, 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 startup 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.

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| **Product** | **Aggregate Cost per Product (factor applied)** |  | **Printing and Distribution** |  | **Government Cost Estimate per Product** |
| Form 8882 | 17,560 | + | 0 | = | 17,560 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Grand Total** | **17,560** |  |  |  | **17,560** |
| Table costs are based on 2021 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Officer and Media and Publications | | | | | |

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

There are no changes being made to this form at this time. IRS is making this submission for renewal purposes.

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|  | **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 | 286 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 286 |
| Annual Time Burden (Hr) | 1,053 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,053 |

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 IRS intends to request renewal of 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.

**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 if 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.