**SUPPORTING STATEMENT**

 Internal Revenue Service

Form 8586, Low-Income Housing Credit

OMB# 1545-0984

1. CIRCUMSTANCES NECESSITATING COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

The Internal Revenue Code (IRC) 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).

Form 8586 is filed by owners of rental buildings in low income housing projects. Typically, the filers are S corporations, partnerships, estates, and trusts. Other taxpayers may also file this form, but they are not required to. 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. The form is completed by individuals, estates, trusts, partnerships, or S corporations. The burden for the partnerships and S corporations is approved under 1545-0123. The burden for individuals is approved under 1545-0074. The burden for the estates and trusts is captured under 1545-0984.

2. USE OF DATA

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. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) uses the form to verify the proper amount of credit.

3. USE OF IMPROVED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY TO REDUCE BURDEN

Form 8586 is enabled for electronic filing.

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. This general business credit is allowed for each new qualified low-income building placed in service after 1986.

1. METHODS TO MINIMIZE BURDEN ON SMALL BUSINESSES OR OTHER SMALL ENTITIES

Small businesses should not be disadvantaged as the form has been structured to request the least amount of information and still satisfy the requirements of the statute and the needs of the IRS.

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

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.

1. 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 regarding Form 8586.

In response to the **Federal Register** notice dated April 19, 2022 (87 FR 23321), we received no comments during the comment period regarding Form 8586.

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

No payment or gift has been provided to any respondents.

1. ASSURANCE OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF RESPONSES

Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential as required by 26 USC 6103.

1. 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.

1. 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 owners of rental buildings in low income housing projects. Typically, the filers are S corporations, partnerships, estates, and trusts. Other taxpayers may also file this form, but they are not required to.

The burden estimate is as follows:

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| **OMB Collection** | **Authority** | **Form** | **Annual Responses** | **Hours per Response** | **Total Burden** |
| 1545-0984 | IRC 42 | 8586 | 779 | 7.01 | 5461 |
|  | **IRS TOTAL** |  | **779** |  | **5461** |

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

1. ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL COST BURDEN TO RESPONDENTS

From our Federal Register notice, dated April 21, 2022, no public comments on the estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information were received. However, 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

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.

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| **Product** | **Aggregate Cost per Product (factor applied)** |  | **Printing and Distribution** |  | **Government Cost Estimate per Product** |
| Form 8586 | 17,560 | + | 0 | = | 17,560 |
| **Grand Total** |  |  |  |  | 17,560 |
| Table costs are based on 2018 actuals obtained from IRS Chief Financial Officer and Media and Publications |
| \* New product costs will be included in the next collection update.  |

15. REASONS FOR CHANGE IN BURDEN

In 2021, the form was revised to remove Part I – Buildings Placed in Service before 2008, as no filers need to use Part I after 2020 per the IRC 42(f). This change has reduced the burden time per response by 1.79 and a decrease of 1394 burden hours.

The form was renumbered after the removal of Part I. Additionally, the instructions were updated references to an outdated Schedule A that was replaced by Form 8609-A in 2004. These changes did not affect the burden estimates.

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|  | **Total Approved** | **Change Due to New Statute** | **Change Due to Agency Discretion** | **Change Due to Adjustment in Estimate** | **Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA** | **Previously Approved** |
| Annual Number of Responses | 779 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 779 |
| Annual Time Burden (Hr.) |  5461 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  1394 | 6,855 |

16. PLANS FOR TABULATION, STATISTICAL ANALYSIS AND PUBLICATION

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

1. 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.

1. 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 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.