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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Internal Revenue Service**

**Proposed Collection; Requesting Comments on Form 8849**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Internal Revenue Service, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8849, Claim for Refund of Excise Taxes.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before December 31, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Andres Garcia, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or by email to [pra.comments@irs.gov](mailto:pra.comments@irs.gov). Include OMB Control No. 1545–1420 in the subject line of the message.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to LaNita Van Dyke, at (202)–317–6009, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [lanita.vandyke@irs.gov](mailto:lanita.vandyke@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The IRS is currently seeking comments concerning the following information collection tools, reporting, and record-keeping requirements:

*Title:* Claim for Refund of Excise Taxes.

*OMB Number:* 1545–1420.

*Form Number:* Form 8849 and Schedules 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 8.

*Abstract:* IRC sections 6402, 6404, 6511 and sections 301.6402–2, 301.6404–1, and 301.6404–3 of the regulations allow for refunds of taxes (except income taxes) or refund, abatement, or credit of interest, penalties, and additions to tax in the event of errors or certain actions by IRS. Taxpayers use Form 8849 to claim refunds of excise taxes.

*Current Actions:* There is no change to the existing collection.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations, individuals or households, and not-for-profit institutions, farms, and Federal, State, local or tribal governments.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 111,147.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 8 hours, 31 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 946,827.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

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**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900–0208]

**Agency Information Collection Activity: Architect-Engineer Fee Proposal and Contractor Production Report**

**AGENCY:** Procurement Policy and Warrant Management Service (PPS), Office of Procurement Policy, Systems and Oversight, Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Procurement Policy and Warrant Management Service, Office of Procurement Policy, Systems and Oversight, Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before December 31, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must be submitted through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

*Program-Specific information:*  
*VA PRA information:* Forrest Browne, 202–632–9677, [forrest.browne@va.gov](mailto:forrest.browne@va.gov); Maribel Aponte, 202–461–8900, [vacopaperworkreduact@va.gov](mailto:vacopaperworkreduact@va.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995, Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, PPS invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of PPS’s functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of PPS’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or

the use of other forms of information technology.

*Title:* VA Form 6298, Architect-Engineer Fee Proposal, and VA Form 10101, Contractor Production Report.

*OMB Control Number:* 2900-0208.  
<https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRASearch> (Once at this link, you can enter the OMB Control Number to find the historical versions of this Information Collection).

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* VA Form 6298, Architect-Engineer Fee Proposal. The use of this form is mandatory for obtaining the proposal and supporting cost or pricing data from the contractor and its

subcontractor(s) for all architect-engineer (A-E) contracts and orders for design services when the total contract value is estimated to be \$50,000 or more. It is also used in obtaining proposals and supporting cost or pricing data for architect engineer services for research study, seismic study, master planning study, construction management, and other related services contracts. VA Form 10101, Contractor Production Report. VA Resident Engineers monitor contractors' work and verify the work progress reported before payment can be made. The requirement for this information is contained in VA Acquisition Regulation Clause 852.236-79.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 11,810 hours.

*Estimated Average Burden per Respondent:* 264 minutes.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 644.

*Authority:* 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

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