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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury.

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

**SUMMARY:** The OCC, 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 a continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless the information collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OCC is soliciting comment concerning its renewal, without change, of an information collection titled "(MA)—Municipal Securities Dealers and Government Securities Brokers and Dealers Registration and Withdrawal." The OCC also gives notice that it has sent the information collection to OMB for review and approval.

**DATES:** You should submit your comments to the OCC and the OMB Desk Officer by April 28, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** You should direct comments to: OCC: Communications Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Public Information Room, Mailstop 1-5, Attention: 1557-0184, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. Commenters are encouraged to submit comments by fax or e-mail. Comments may be sent by fax to (202) 874-4448, or by e-mail to [regs.comments@occ.treas.gov](mailto:regs.comments@occ.treas.gov). You can inspect and photocopy the comments at the OCC's Public Information Room, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. You can make an appointment to inspect the comments by calling (202) 874-5043.

OMB: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB Desk Officer for the OCC, 1557-0184, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** You can request additional information or a copy of the collection from John Ference, Acting OCC Clearance Officer, or Camille Dixon, (202) 874-5090, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The OCC is proposing to extend OMB approval of the following information collection:

*Title:* (MA)—Municipal Securities Dealers and Government Securities Brokers and Dealers Registration and Withdrawal.

*OMB Number:* 1557-0184.

*Description:* This submission covers existing forms and involves no change to the forms. The OCC requests only that OMB extend its approval of the information collection.

This information collection is required to satisfy the requirements of the Securities Act Amendments of 1975 and the Government Securities Act of 1986 which require that any national bank that acts as a government securities broker/dealer or a municipal securities dealer notify the OCC of its broker/dealer activities. The OCC uses this information to determine which national banks are government and municipal securities broker/dealers and to monitor institutions entry into and exit from government and municipal securities broker/dealer activities. The OCC also uses the information in planning bank examinations.

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

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit; individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 100.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 3,080.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 2,706 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

#### Comments

The OCC has a continuing interest in the public's opinion regarding collections of information. Members of the public may submit comments regarding any aspect of this collection of information. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 11, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel (Including the States of New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine)

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be conducted (via teleconference). The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 27, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Marisa Knispel at 1-888-912-1227 (toll-free), or 718-488-3557 (non toll-free).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** An open meeting of the Area 1 Taxpayer Advocacy Panel will be held Tuesday, April 27, 2004 from 11 am EDT to 12 pm EDT via a telephone conference call. Individual comments will be limited to 5 minutes. If you would like to have the TAP consider a written statement, please call 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3557, or write Marisa Knispel, TAP Office, 10 MetroTech Center, 625 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate in the telephone conference call meeting must be made with Marisa Knispel. Ms. Knispel can be reached at 1-888-912-1227 or 718-488-3557, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include: Various IRS issues.

Dated: March 23, 2004.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Small Business/Self Employed—Schedule C Non-Fileers Committee of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Small Business/Self Employed—Schedule C