

collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 720X, Amended Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 23, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Larnice Mack at Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3179, or through the Internet at ([Larnice.Mack@irs.gov](mailto:Larnice.Mack@irs.gov)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Amended Quarterly Federal Excise Tax Return.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1759.

*Form Number:* 720X.

*Abstract:* Form 720X is used to make adjustments to correct errors on form 720 filed for previous quarters. It can be filed by itself or it can be attached to any subsequent Form 720. Code section 6416(d) allows taxpayers to take a credit on a subsequent return rather than filing a refund claim. The creation of Form 720X is the result of a project to provide a uniform standard for trust fund accounting.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to Form 720X at this time.

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

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 22,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 4 hrs, 59 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 109,560.

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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**Glenn Kirkland,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Internal Revenue Service**

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 8697**

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, 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, Public Law 104-13(44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 8697, Interest Computation Under the Look-Back Method for Completed Long-Term Contracts.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 23, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland Internal Revenue Service, room 6512, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Larnice Mack at

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Interest Computation Under the Look-Back Method for Completed Long-Term Contracts.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1031.

*Form Number:* Form 8697.

*Abstract:* Taxpayers who are required to account for all or part of any long-term contract entered into after February 28, 1986, under the percentage of completion method must use Form 8697 to compute and report interest due or to be refunded under Internal Revenue Code section 460(b)(93). The IRS uses Form 8697 to determine if the interest has been figured correctly.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the Form 8697 at this time.

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

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations and individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,000.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 12 hrs, 40 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 63,340.

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 maintenance, and purchase of services  
technology; and (e) estimates of capital to provide information.  
or start-up costs and costs of operation,

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