

and need and supporting alternatives. The EA was approved for public dissemination by FHWA in November 2002, however it was determined that further study would be required and a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) would not be issued by FHWA for the project. Further study in the proposed EIS will include a refinement of purpose and need for the project, alternatives development and screening based on social, environmental, and economic impacts of the proposed project. Recognizing that NEPA requires the consideration of a reasonable range of alternatives that will address the purpose and need, the EIS will include a range of alternatives for detailed study consisting of a no-build alternative, several build alternatives, as well as alternatives consisting of transportation system management strategies, improvements to existing facilities, and/or new alignment of facilities. These alternatives will be developed, screened, and carried forward for detailed analysis in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) based on their ability to address the project purpose and need while avoiding adverse impacts to known and sensitive resources. Letters describing the proposed NEPA study and soliciting input will be sent to the appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies who have expressed or are known to have an interest or legal role in this proposal. It is anticipated that at least one formal agency scoping meeting will be held as part of the NEPA process, in the vicinity of the project, to facilitate local, State, and Federal agency involvement and input into the project in an effort to identify all of the issues that need to be addressed in developing the EIS. Tribal consultation will also be an important part of the scoping process. Private organizations, citizens, and interest groups will also have an opportunity to provide input into the development of the Environmental Impact Statement and identify issues that should be addressed. A Public Involvement Plan will be developed to involve the public in the project development process. This plan will utilize outreach efforts to provide information and solicit input such as informal meetings, public information meetings, public hearings, and other efforts as necessary and appropriate. Notices of public meetings or public hearings will be given through various forums providing the time and place of the meeting along with other relevant information. The DEIS will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearings.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are identified and taken into account, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments and questions concerning the proposed action and Draft Environmental Impact Statement should be directed to FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this proposed action)

Authority: 23 U.S.C. 315; 49 CFR 1.48.

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Sandra L. Otto,

Division Administrator, FHWA, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 19, 2004.

The Department of the Treasury has submitted the following public information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling the Treasury Bureau Clearance Officer listed. Comments regarding this information collection should be addressed to the OMB reviewer listed and to the Treasury Department Clearance Officer, Department of the Treasury, Room 11000, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 29, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

Departmental Offices/Office of Foreign Assets Control

OMB Number: 1505-0177.

Form Numbers: None.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Procedures for Payments to Persons Who Hold Certain Categories of Judgments.

Description: Submissions will provide the U.S. Government with information to be used in determining the eligibility of an applicant under Sec. 2002 of Public Law 106-386 (The Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000) and to complete processing of payments under Sec. 2002.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 12 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 240 hours.

Clearance Officer: Lois K. Holland, Departmental Offices, Room 2110, 1425 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20220, (202) 622-1563.

OMB Reviewer: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7316.

Lois K. Holland,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

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DATES: Written comments should be received on or before December 29, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1594.

Regulation Project Number: REG-51520-96 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Classification of Certain Transactions Involving Computer Programs.

Description: The information requested in regulation Section 1.861-18(k) is necessary for the Commissioner to determine whether a taxpayer properly is requesting to change its method of accounting.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Burden Hours Respondent: 1 hour.

Frequency of response: On occasion.

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 1 hour.

Clearance Officer: R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, (202) 622-3634.

OMB Reviewer: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-7316.

Lois K. Holland,

Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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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 information collection titled, "Assessments—12 CFR 8." 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 December 29, 2004.

ADDRESSES: You should direct your comments to:

Communications Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Public Information Room, Mailstop 1-5, Attention: 1557-0223, 250 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20219. In addition, comments may be sent by fax to (202) 874-4448, or by electronic mail to 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.

Mark Menchik, OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Room 3208, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You can request additional information or a copy of the collection from Mary Gottlieb, 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 requesting extension of OMB approval, with revision, of the following information collection:

Title: Assessments—12 CFR 8.

OMB Number: 1557-0223.

Description: The National Bank Act authorizes the OCC to collect assessments, fees, and other charges as necessary or appropriate to carry out the responsibilities of the OCC. The OCC will require national banks to provide the OCC with receivables attributable data from independent credit card banks, that is, national banks that primarily engage in credit card operations and are not affiliated with a full service national bank. Receivables attributable are the total amount of outstanding balances due on credit card accounts owned by an independent credit card bank (the receivables attributable to those accounts) on the last day of an assessment period, minus receivables retained on the bank's balance sheet as of that day. The OCC

will use the information to verify the accuracy of each bank's assessment computation and to adjust the assessment rate for independent credit card banks over time.

Type of Review: Extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit (national banks).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 35.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 70.

Frequency of Response: Semiannually.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 70 hours.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and 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 has 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 on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and

(e) Estimates of capital or startup costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Stuart Feldstein,

Assistant Director, Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division.

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