

Description: Taxpayers who entered into a binding agreement on or after January 28, 1998 (the effective date of § 1.368-1T), and before the effective date of the final regulations under § 1.368-1(e) may request a private letter ruling permitting them to apply § 1.368-1(e) to their transaction. A private letter ruling will not be issued unless the taxpayer establishes to the satisfaction of the IRD that there is not a significant risk of different parties to the transaction taking inconsistent positions, for U.S. tax purposes with respect to the applicability of § 1.368-1(e) to the transaction.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Burden Hours Respondent: 150 hours.

Frequency of Response: Other (once).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 1,500 hours.

Clearance Officer: R. Joseph Durbala, (202) 622-3634, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20224.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 25, 2003.

The Department of 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 January 2, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Number: 1545-1160.

Regulation Project Number: CO-93-90 Final.

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Corporations; Consolidated Returns—Special Rules Relating to Dispositions and Deconsolidations of Subsidiary Stock.

Description: These regulations prevent elimination of corporate-level tax because of the operation of the consolidated returns investment adjustment rules. Statements are required for dispositions of a subsidiary's stock for which losses are claimed, for basis reductions within 2 years of the stock's deconsolidation, and for elections by the common parent to retain the NOLs of a disposed subsidiary.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Estimated Burden Hours Per Respondent: 2 hours.

Frequency of Response: Other (one-time).

Estimated Total Reporting Burden: 6,000 hours.

Clearance Officer: Glenn Kirkland, (202) 622-3428, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6411-03, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 2439

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

2439, Notice to Shareholder of Undistributed Long-Term Capital Gains.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before February 2, 2004 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 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 Carol Savage at Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or at (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet at CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Notice to Shareholder of Undistributed Long-Term Capital Gains.

OMB Number: 1545-0145.

Form Number: Form 2439.

Abstract: Form 2439 is used by regulated investment companies (RICs) and real estate investment trusts (REITs) to report undistributed capital gains and the amount of tax paid on these gains designated under Internal Revenue Code section 852(b)(3)(D) or 857(b)(3)(D). The company, the trust, and the shareholder file copies of Form 2439 with the IRS. The IRS uses the information to verify that the shareholder has included the capital gains in income.

Current Actions: There are no changes being made to the form at this time.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,363.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 5 hours, 14 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 43,739.

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.

Approved: November 28, 2003.

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Management and Program Analyst.

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