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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[TD 9087]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

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 an existing final regulation, TD 9087, Exclusions From Gross Income of Foreign Corporations (§ 883(a) and (c)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 23, 2008 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Allan Hopkins, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this regulation should be directed to R. Joseph Durbala, at (202) 622-3634, or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at RJoseph.Durbala@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title: Exclusions From Gross Income of Foreign Corporations.

OMB Number: 1545-1677.

Regulation Project Number: TD 9087.

Abstract: This regulation contains rules implementing the portions of section 883(a) and (c) of the Internal Revenue Code that relate to income derived by foreign corporations from the

international operation of a ship or ships or aircraft. The rules provide, in general, that a foreign corporation organized in a qualified foreign country and engaged in the international operation of ships or aircraft shall exclude qualified income from gross income for purposes of United States Federal income taxation, provided that the corporation can satisfy certain ownership and related documentation requirements.

Current Actions: There is no change to this existing regulation.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions and individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 16,400.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 hr., 27 min.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 23,900.

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 THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[TD 9270]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Regulation Project

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 the existing final rulemaking, TD 9270, Reporting of Gross Proceeds Payment to Attorneys.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before June 23, 2008 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Allan Hopkins, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20224.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title: Reporting of Gross Proceeds Payment to Attorneys.

OMB Number: 1545-1644.

Regulation Project Number: TD 9270.

Abstract: This document contains final regulations relating to the reporting of payments of gross proceeds to attorneys. The regulations reflect changes to the law made by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (1997 Act). The final regulations will affect attorneys who receive payments of gross proceeds on behalf of their clients and will affect certain payors (for example, defendants in lawsuits and their insurance companies and agents) that,