

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service****Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 5472**

**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 5472, Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned U.S. Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 4, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 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 Carolyn N. Brown, at (202) 622-6688, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224 or through the internet at [Carolyn.N.Brown@irs.gov](mailto:Carolyn.N.Brown@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned U.S. Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0805.

*Form Number:* 5472.

*Abstract:* Form 5472 is used to report information about transactions between a U.S. corporation that is 25% foreign owned or a foreign corporation that is engaged in a U.S. trade or business and related foreign parties. The IRS uses Form 5472 to determine if inventory or other costs deducted by the U.S. or foreign corporation are correct.

*Current Actions:* Due to a 2007 revision of Form 5472, a line item was added causing the burden to decrease to 2,544,784.

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

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

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 103,784.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 24 hrs. 31 min.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,544,784.

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: February 13, 2009.

**R. Joseph Durbala,**

*IRS Reports Clearance Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY****Internal Revenue Service**

**[REG-125071-06 (TD 9308)]**

**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 a final Regulation 125071-06 (TD 9308), Reporting Requirements for Widely Held Fixed Investment Trusts (§ 1.671-5).

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before May 4, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to R. Joseph Durbala, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Carolyn N. Brown, (202) 622-6688, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at [Carolyn.N.Brown@irs.gov](mailto:Carolyn.N.Brown@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Reporting Requirements for Widely Held Fixed Investment Trusts.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1540.

*Regulation Project Number:* REG-125071-06 (TD 9308).

*Abstract:* Under regulation section 1.671-5, the trustee or the middleman who holds an interest in a widely held fixed investment trust for an investor will be required to provide a Form 1099 to the IRS and a tax information statement to the investor. The trust is also required to provide more detailed tax information to middlemen and certain other persons, upon request.

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

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

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

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,200.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 2 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 2,400.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

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