income. The record-keeping and election procedures allow the U.S. shareholders and the IRS to know the amount of the controlled foreign corporation's subpart F income.

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

Type of Review: Extension of OMB approval.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents/ Recordkeepers: 50,500.

Estimated Time per Respondent/ Recordkeeper: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting/ Recordkeeping Hours: 50,417.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of 1information 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: March 5, 2010.

R. Joseph Durbala,

IRS Tax Supervisory Analyst. [FR Doc. 2010–5877 Filed 3–17–10; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Revenue Procedure 2006– 42

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 Revenue Procedure 2006-42 (RP-135718–06), Automatic Consent to Change Certain Elections Relating to the Apportionment of Interest Expense, Research and Experimental Expenditures Under Section 1.861. DATES: Written comments should be received on or before May 17, 2010 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 revenue procedure should be directed to Elaine Christophe, (202) 622–3179, or at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at *Elaine.H.Christophe@irs.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Automatic Consent to Change Certain Elections Relating to the Apportionment of Interest Expense, Research and Experimental Expenditures Under Section 1.861.

OMB Number: 1545–2040.

Revenue Procedure Number: Revenue Procedure 2006–42.

Abstract: This revenue procedure provides administrative guidance under which a taxpayer may obtain automatic consent to change (a) from the fair market value method or from the alternative tax book method to apportion interest expense or (b) from the sales method or the optional gross income methods to apportion research and experimental expenditures.

Current Actions: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit institutions, and individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 100.

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

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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: March 8, 2010.

R. Joseph Durbala,

IRS Tax Supervisory Analyst. [FR Doc. 2010–5875 Filed 3–17–10; 8:45 am] **BILLING CODE 4830–01–P**

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0619]

Proposed Information Collection (IRIS) Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Information and Technology, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Information and Technology (OI&T), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on rapid response to electronic inquiries submitted to VA through the Inquiry Routing and Information System (IRIS). **DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed

collection of information should be received on or before May 17, 2010. **ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through the Federal Docket Management System at *http://www.Regulations.gov*; or to Diane Huber, Office of Information and Technology (005Q3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail: *diane.huber@va.gov.* Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900–0619" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online at FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Huber (703) 734–0189 or FAX (301) 734–0000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501—3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OI&T invites *comments on:* (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OI&T's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OI&T's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Inquiry Routing and Information System (IRIS), VA Form 0873.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0619.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The World Wide Web is a powerful media for the delivery of information and services to veterans, dependents, and active duty personnel worldwide. IRIS allows a customer to submit questions, complaints, compliments, and suggestions directly to the appropriate office at any time and receive an answer more quickly than through standard mail. IRIS does not provide applications to veterans or serve as a conduit for patient data.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 60,000 hours.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Monthly. Estimated Number of Respondents: 360,000.

Dated: March 12, 2010.

By direction of the Secretary.

Denise McLamb,

Program Analyst, Enterprise Records Service. [FR Doc. 2010–5844 Filed 3–17–10; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 8320–01–P

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0586]

Proposed Information Collection (Technical Industry Standards) Activity: Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition and Logistics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Acquisition and Logistics (OA&L), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information including each proposed extension of a currently approved collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to ensure items being purchased meet minimum safety standards.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before May 17, 2010. **ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through

Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at http://www.Regulations.gov; or to Arita Tillman, Office of Acquisition and Logistics (049A5A), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: arita.tillman@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900– 0586" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Arita Tillman at (202) 461–6859 or Fax. **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the PRA of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13; 44 U.S.C. 3501—3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, OA&L invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of OA&L's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of OA&L's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Veterans Affairs Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) Provision 852.211– 75, Technical Industry Standards.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0586. Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VAAR provision 852.211-75. Technical Industry Standards. requires items offered for sale to VA under the solicitation conform to certain technical industry standards, such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL) or the National Fire Protection Association. Contractor must furnish evidence to VA stating that the items meet the requirements. The evidence can be in a tag or seal affixed to the item, such as the UL tag on an electrical cord or a tag on a fire-rated door. Items that do not meet the standards or not previously tested must come with a certificate from an acceptable laboratory certifying that the items furnished were tested in accordance with, and conform to, the specified standards.

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit.

Estimated Annual Burden: 50 hours.