

disadvantaged businesses). The Secretary selects from applications advanced by the Senior Review team for designations.

DESIGNATION NOTICE: The Secretary will announce designations by posting a list of USDOT Automated Vehicle Proving Grounds at www.transportation.gov/. The Department anticipates that the selection of the initial USDOT Automated Vehicle Proving Grounds will be completed during the first quarter of calendar year 2017. The Department may make additional designations on an annual basis or as deemed appropriate.

DESIGNATION AGENCY CONTACTS: For further information concerning this notice, please contact the Department via email at automation@dot.gov, or call Christopher Hillers at 202-366-5421.

OTHER INFORMATION: All information submitted as part of or in support of any application shall use publicly available data or data that can be made public and methodologies that are accepted by industry practice and standards, to the extent possible. If the application includes information you consider to be a trade secret or confidential commercial or financial information, the applicant should do the following: (1) Note on the front cover that the submission "Contains Confidential Business Information (CBI)"; (2) mark each affected page "CBI"; and (3) highlight or otherwise denote the CBI portions. DOT protects such information from disclosure to the extent allowed under applicable law. In the event DOT receives a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the information, DOT will follow the procedures described in its FOIA regulations at 49 CFR 7.17. Only information that is ultimately determined to be confidential under that procedure will be exempt from disclosure under FOIA.

Issued in Washington, DC, on November 22, 2016.

Anthony R. Foxx,

Secretary of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Publication of the Tier 2 Tax Rates

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Publication of the tier 2 tax rates for calendar year 2017 as required

by section 3241(d) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 3241). Tier 2 taxes on railroad employees, employers, and employee representatives are one source of funding for benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act.

DATES: The tier 2 tax rates for calendar year 2017 apply to compensation paid in calendar year 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Edmondson,
CC:TEGE:EOEG:ET1, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, Telephone Number (202) 317-6798 (not a toll-free number).

Tier 2 Tax Rates: The tier 2 tax rate for 2017 under section 3201(b) on employees is 4.9 percent of compensation. The tier 2 tax rate for 2017 under section 3221(b) on employers is 13.1 percent of compensation. The tier 2 tax rate for 2017 under section 3211(b) on employee representatives is 13.1 percent of compensation.

Dated: November 22, 2016.

Victoria A. Judson,

Associate Chief Counsel (Tax Exempt and Government Entities).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Open Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, U.S. Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Department of the Treasury's Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms ("Committee") will convene a meeting on Thursday, December 15, 2016, in Room 4121, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting is open to the public, and the site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2016, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms meeting will be held in Room 4121, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220. The meeting will be open to the public, and will be held in a secured facility. Members of the public who plan to attend the meeting must either:

1. Register online. Attendees may visit <http://www.cvent.com/d/dvqdsy?ct=6128d144-9ad5-45f5-910c-c7b44560aae0&RefID=TRIA+General+Registration> and fill out a secure online registration form. A valid email address will be required to complete online registration.

Note: Online registration will close at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, December 8, 2016.

2. Contact the Federal Insurance Office (FIO), at (202) 622-3220, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday, December 8, 2016, and provide registration information.

Requests for reasonable accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act should be directed to Mariam G. Harvey, Office of Civil Rights and Diversity, Department of the Treasury at (202) 622-0316, or mariam.harvey@do.treas.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lindsey Baldwin, Senior Policy Analyst, FIO, Room 1410, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, at (202) 622-3220 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who have difficulty hearing or speaking may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. II 10(a)(2), through implementing regulations at 41 CFR 102-3.150.

Public Comment: Members of the public wishing to comment on the business of the Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms are invited to submit written statements by any of the following methods:

Electronic Statements

- Send electronic comments to ACRSM@treasury.gov.

Paper Statements

- Send paper statements in triplicate to the Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms, Room 1410, Department of the Treasury, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220.

In general, the Department of the Treasury will post all statements on its Web site www.treasury.gov/initiatives/fio without change, including any business or personal information provided such as names, addresses, email addresses, or telephone numbers. The Department of the Treasury will also make such statements available for public inspection and copying in the Department of the Treasury's Library,

1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20220, on official business days between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. You can make an appointment to inspect statements by telephoning (202) 622-0990. All statements, including attachments and other supporting materials, received are part of the public record and subject to public disclosure. You should submit only information that you wish to make available publicly.

Tentative Agenda/Topics for Discussion: This is the third periodic meeting of the Advisory Committee on Risk-Sharing Mechanisms. In this meeting, the Committee will discuss issues related to whether the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program (TRIP) could be altered, and if so, the extent to which nongovernmental private reinsurance and capital markets capacity is available to replace TRIP support and the long-term viability of such support. The Committee will also discuss the formation of Subcommittees to further investigate these questions.

Michael T. McRaith,

Director, Federal Insurance Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 23, 2016.

The Department of the Treasury will submit the following information collection requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, on or after the date of publication of this notice.

DATES: Comments should be received on or before December 29, 2016 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimates, or any other aspect of the information collections, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to (1) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for Treasury, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, or email at OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.gov and (2) Treasury PRA Clearance Officer, 1750 Pennsylvania Ave. NW., Suite 8142, Washington, DC 20220, or email at PRA@treasury.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the submissions may be

obtained by emailing PRA@treasury.gov, calling (202) 622-0934, or viewing the entire information collection request at www.reginfo.gov.

Internal Revenue Service (IRS)

OMB Control Number: 1545-0004.

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

Title: Determination of Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding.

Form: Form SS-8, SS-8PR.

Abstract: Form SS-8 is used by employers and workers to furnish information to IRS in order to obtain a determination as to whether a worker is an employee for purposes of Federal employment taxes and income tax withholding. IRS uses this information to make the determination.

Form SS-8PR is the Spanish version for use in Puerto Rico of form SS-8 Determination of Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding. IRS uses this information to make the determination.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 148,621.

OMB Control Number: 1545-1191.

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

Title: Information with Respect to Certain Foreign-Owned Corporations—IRC Section 6038A.

Abstract: The regulations require record maintenance, annual information filing, and the authorization of the U.S. corporation to act as an agent for IRS summons purposes. These requirements allow IRS International examiners to better audit the returns of U.S. corporations engaged in crossborder transactions with a related party.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 640,000.

Bob Faber,

Acting Treasury PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No: 2900-0619; 2900-0111; 2900-0524; 2900-0752]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: (Inquiry Routing & Information System (IRIS); Statement of Purchaser or Owner Assuming Seller's Loan; VA Police Officer Pre-Employment Screening Checklist; Universal Stakeholder Participation Questionnaire (uSPEQ))

AGENCY: Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice of Emergency OMB Extension and Emergency Clearance Requests.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is providing notice of its agency request for Emergency Extension of OMB Control Numbers 2900-0619 (Inquiry Routing & Information System (IRIS)) and 2900-0111 (Statement of Purchaser or Owner Assuming Seller's Loan (VA Form 26-6382) under Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA). VA has also requested Emergency Clearance of OMB Control Number 2900-0524 (VA Police Officer Pre-Employment Screening Checklist) and 2900-0752 (Universal Stakeholder Participation Questionnaire (uSPEQ®)) under Veterans Health Administration (VHA). Concurrent to this notice, the regular 60 and 30-day **Federal Register** Notices and PRA clearance process has been initiated for each information collection request.

DATES: This notification is published in the **Federal Register**, to post concurrent with the Public Comment Notices for each identified OMB control number on January 30, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor, Enterprise Records Service (005R1B), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20420, at 202-461-5870 or email cynthia.harvey-pryor@va.gov.

By direction of the Secretary.

Cynthia Harvey-Pryor,

Program Specialist, Office of Privacy and Records Management, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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