

use to be exempt from tax under section 4082(a), it must be indelibly dyed by use of a mechanical dye injection system that satisfies the requirements in the regulations. These regulations affect certain enterers, refiners, terminal operators, and throughputters.

*Current Actions:* There is no changes in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB.

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

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

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 7 hrs.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 1,400.

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

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Form 1099-A

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Internal Revenue Service, 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 information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The IRS is soliciting comments concerning Form 1099-A, Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured Property.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before March 22, 2021 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Kinna Brewington, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224. Requests for additional information or copies of the forms and instructions should be directed to Sara Covington, at (737) 800-6149, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6526, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [Sara.L.Covington@irs.gov](mailto:Sara.L.Covington@irs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured Property.

*OMB Number:* 1545-0877.

*Form Number:* 1099-A.

*Abstract:* Form 1099-A is used by persons who lend money in connection with a trade or business, and who acquire an interest in the property that is security for the loan or who have reason to know that the property has been abandoned, to report the acquisition or abandonment.

*Current Actions:* There are no changes being made to the form approved under this collection. However, changes to the estimated number of filers (563,000 to 466,000), will result in a total burden decrease of 15520 (90080 minus 74560).

*Type of Review:* Revision of a current OMB approval.

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

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 466,000.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 9 min.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 74,560.

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.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Multiemployer Pension Plan Application To Reduce Benefits

**AGENCY:** Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Board of Trustees of the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund, a multiemployer pension plan, has submitted an application to reduce benefits under the plan in accordance with the Multiemployer Pension Reform Act of 2014 (MPRA). The purpose of this notice is to announce that the application submitted by the Board of Trustees of the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund has been published on the website of the Department of the Treasury (Treasury), and to request public comments on the application from

interested parties, including participants and beneficiaries, employee organizations, and contributing employers of the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by March 8, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, in accordance with the instructions on that site.

Commenters are strongly encouraged to submit public comments electronically. Treasury expects to have limited personnel available to process public comments that are submitted on paper through mail. Until further notice, any comments submitted on paper will be considered to the extent practicable.

Comments may be mailed to the Department of the Treasury, MPRA Office, 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Room 1224, Washington, DC 20220, Attn: Danielle Norris. Comments sent via facsimile, telephone, or email will not be accepted.

Additional Instructions. All comments received, including attachments and other supporting materials, will be made available to the

public. Do not include any personally identifiable information (such as your Social Security number, name, address, or other contact information) or any other information in your comment or supporting materials that you do not want publicly disclosed. Treasury will make comments available for public inspection and copying on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or upon request. Comments posted on the internet can be retrieved by most internet search engines.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information regarding the application from the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund, please contact Treasury at (202) 622-1534 (not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** MPRA amended the Internal Revenue Code to permit a multiemployer plan that is projected to have insufficient funds to reduce pension benefits payable to participants and beneficiaries if certain conditions are satisfied. In order to reduce benefits, the plan sponsor is required to submit an application to the Secretary of the Treasury, which must be approved or denied in consultation with the Pension Benefit Guaranty

Corporation (PBGC) and the Department of Labor.

On December 30, 2020, the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund's Board of Trustees submitted an application for approval to reduce benefits under the plan. As required by MPRA, that application has been published on Treasury's website at <https://home.treasury.gov/services/the-multiemployer-pension-reform-act-of-2014/applications-for-benefit-suspension>. Treasury is publishing this notice in the **Federal Register**, in consultation with PBGC and the Department of Labor, to solicit public comments on all aspects of the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund's application.

Comments are requested from interested parties, including participants and beneficiaries, employee organizations, and contributing employers of the American Federation of Musicians & Employers Pension Fund. Consideration will be given to any comments that are timely received by Treasury.

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