

adjusted annually based on the increase in the Consumer Price Index published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The cited regulation states that SBA will publish the indexed maximum Leverage

amounts each year in a Notice in the **Federal Register**.

Accordingly, effective the date of publication of this Notice, and until further notice, the maximum Leverage

amounts under 13 CFR 107.1150(a) are as stated in the following table:

If your leverage capital is:	Then your maximum leverage is:
(1) Not over \$18,900,000	300 percent of Leverageable Capital.
(2) Over \$18,900,000 but not over \$37,800,000	\$56,700,000 + [2 × (Leverageable Capital – \$18,900,000)].
(3) Over \$37,800,000 but not over \$56,700,000	\$94,500,000 + (Leverageable Capital – \$37,800,000).
(4) Over \$56,700,000	\$113,400,000.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 59.011, small business investment companies)

Dated: November 4, 2002.

Jeffrey D. Pierson,

Associate Administrator for Investment.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Multiple Counties

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project that will traverse the southeastern section of the State of Alabama.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Joe D. Wilkerson, Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, 500 Eastern Boulevard, Suite 200, Montgomery, Alabama 36117-2018, Telephone (334) 223-7370.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the State of Alabama Department of Transportation, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Project JPP-1602(507). The proposal is to construct a multi-lane, limited-access roadway from the Alabama/Florida State line at US-231 to the City of Dothan and connecting to US-231 north of the City, a distance of approximately 40 miles.

Alternatives under consideration include: (1) Alternate route locations; and, (2) a no-action or no-build alternative.

The Alabama Department of Transportation and the Alabama Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration had begun the corridor study as an environmental assessment. Letter describing the proposed action

and soliciting comments were sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who previously expressed or were known to have interest in this proposal. A series of public meetings have been held. Based upon objections raised through this early coordination, the determination was made that an environmental impact statement is the appropriate level of documentation.

In addition to the early coordination already accomplished, additional meetings will be held as appropriate, and formal public hearings will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place for the meetings and hearings. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearings.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

Joe D. Wilkerson,

Division Administrator, Montgomery, Alabama.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Assistant Secretary for International Affairs; Treasury International Capital (TIC) Forms BC/ BC(SA), BL-1/BL-1(SA), BL-2/BL- 2(SA), BQ-1, BQ-2, and BQ-3

AGENCY: Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of reporting requirements.

SUMMARY: By this Notice, the Department of the Treasury is informing the public that it has revised the mandatory data collections conducted through reporting on the Treasury International Capital (TIC) B-forms. The revisions are effective for all reports beginning with reporting periods ending February 28, 2003 and thereafter; until that time, the current mandatory TIC B-forms and instructions remain in force. The revisions include one new form, BQ-3, revised instructions, and five revised forms: BC/BC(SA), BL-1/BL-1(SA), BL-2/BL-2(SA), BQ-1, and BQ-2. This Notice constitutes legal notification to all United States persons, as defined below, who meet the reporting requirements set forth in this Notice that they must respond to, and comply with, these data collections. United States persons who meet the reporting requirements but who do not receive a set of the revised B-forms and instructions should contact the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, acting as fiscal agent for the Department of the Treasury, to obtain copies. Additional copies of the reporting forms and instructions may be printed from the Internet at: <http://www.treas.gov/tic/forms.html>.

Definition: A U.S. person is any individual, branch, partnership, associated group, association, estate, trust, corporation, or other organization (whether or not organized under the laws of any state), and any government (including a foreign government, the United States Government, a state, provincial, or local government, and any agency, corporation, financial institution, or other entity or instrumentality thereof, including a government-sponsored agency), who resides in the United States or is subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

Who must Report: U.S. persons who are (a) depository institutions, bank holding companies, financial holding companies, or securities brokers and dealers; and (b) whose reportable

amounts exceed established exemption levels must: Report on Form BC/BC(SA) if the total of reporter's own dollar claims on all foreigners is \$50 million or more, or if the total of such claims is \$25 million or more for any individual country; report on Form BL-1/BL-1(SA) if the total of reporter's own dollar liabilities to all foreigners is \$50 million or more, or if the total of such liabilities is \$25 million or more for any individual country; report on Form BL-2/BL-2(SA) if the total of reporter's domestic customers' dollar liabilities to all foreigners is \$50 million or more, or if the total of such liabilities is \$25 million or more for any individual country; report on Form BQ-1 if the total of reporter's domestic customers' dollar claims on all foreigners is \$50 million or more, or if the total of such claims is \$25 million or more for any individual country; report on Form BQ-2, Part 1 if the total of foreign currency-denominated liabilities and claims of reporter and its domestic customers vis-à-vis all foreigners is \$50 million or more, or the total of such liabilities and claims is \$25 million or more for any individual country; report on Form BQ-2, Part 2 if the total of reporter's domestic customers' foreign currency-denominated liabilities to all foreigners is \$50 million or more; and report on Form BQ-3 if the total of the maturities of selected own dollar and foreign currency-denominated liabilities of the reporter vis-à-vis all foreigners is \$4,000 million or more.

What to Report: These reports collect timely information on international portfolio capital movements vis-à-vis foreign countries and international and regional organizations as follows: Form BC/BC(SA) collects information on reporter's own U.S. dollar claims on foreigners; Form BL-1/BL-1(SA) collects information on reporter's own U.S. dollar liabilities to foreigners; Form BL-2/BL-2(SA) collects information on U.S. dollar liabilities of reporter's domestic customers to foreigners; Form BQ-1 collects information on U.S. dollar claims of reporter's domestic customers on foreigners; Form BQ-2, Part 1 collects information on liabilities and claims of reporter and on claims of reporter's domestic customers vis-à-vis foreigners, that are denominated in foreign currencies; Form BQ-2, Part 2 collects information on foreign currency-denominated liabilities of reporter's domestic customers to foreigners; and Form BQ-3 collects information on maturities of selected U.S. dollar and foreign currency-denominated liabilities of reporter vis-à-vis foreigners.

How to Report: Copies of the reporting forms and instructions, which contain complete information on reporting procedures and definitions, can be obtained by contacting the statistics unit of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York at (212) 720-8037, email: Patrica.Selvaggi@ny.frb.org. The mailing address is: Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Statistics Function, 4th Floor, 33 Liberty Street, New York, NY 10045-0001.

When to Report: Data on the revised TIC B-forms should be submitted to the reporter's District Federal Reserve Bank, acting as fiscal agent for the Department of the Treasury, beginning with reporting periods as of February 28, 2003 and thereafter.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice: These data collections have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act and assigned control numbers: 1505-0016 for BQ-1; 1505-0017 for BC/BC(SA); 1505-0018 for BL-2/BL-2(SA), 1505-0019 for BL-1/BL-1(SA); 1505-0020 for BQ-2; and 1505-0189 for BQ-3. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid control number assigned by OMB.

Dwight Wolkow,

Administrator, International Portfolio Investment Data Reporting Systems.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG-105606-99]

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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing notice of proposed rulemaking, Credit for Increasing Research Activities (§ 41(f)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 17, 2003 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn P. Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, room 6411, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of regulations should be directed to Carol Savage, (202) 622-3945, or through the Internet (CAROL.A.SAVAGE@irs.gov), Internal Revenue Service, room 6407, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Credit for Increasing Research Activities.

OMB Number: 1545-1670.

Regulation Project Numbers: REG-105606-99.

Abstract: The regulation addresses the computation of the credit for increasing research activities for members of a controlled group and the allocation of the credit under section 41(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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

Type of review: Extension of OMB approval.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: 20 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 200.

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