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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 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 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 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, is soliciting comments concerning the Bond for Drawback Under 26 U.S.C. 5131.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before January 14, 2003, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Linda Barnes, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8930.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form(s) and instructions should be directed to Steve Simon, Regulations Division, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20226, (202) 927-8210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Bond for Drawback Under 26 U.S.C. 5131.

OMB Number: 1512-0537.

Form Number: ATF F 5154.3.

Abstract: ATF F 5154.3 is required pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 5131 from all persons who claim, on a monthly basis, drawback of tax on distilled spirits used in the manufacture of approved nonbeverage products. The form is used to establish eligibility to file drawback claims on a monthly basis and, when necessary, to enforce collection of money owed to the Government.

Current Actions: There are no changes to this information collection and it is being submitted for extension purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 60.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 12.

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.

Dated: November 7, 2002.

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