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Financial Institution Letter
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BANK SECRECY ACT

Delayed Implementation of Revised Suspicious Activity Report by Depository Institutions Form

Summary: The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) has announced delayed implementation of the revised Suspicious Activity Report by Depository Institutions (SAR-DI) form. The revised form was scheduled to take effect on June 30, 2007, and become mandatory on December 31, 2007. FinCEN will establish new dates for implementing the new SAR-DI.

Distribution:

FDIC-Supervised Banks (Commercial and Savings)

Suggested Routing:

Chief Executive Officer
BSA Compliance Officer

Related Topics:

Bank Secrecy Act/Anti-Money Laundering Programs

Attachment:

May 1, 2007, *Federal Register* notice:
http://www.fincen.gov/sar_fr_notice.pdf

Contact:

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Note:

FDIC financial institution letters (FILs) may be accessed from the FDIC's Web site at:
<http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2007/index.html>.

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<http://www.fdic.gov/about/subscriptions/fil.html>.

Paper copies of FDIC financial institution letters may be obtained through the FDIC's Public Information Center, 801 17th Street, NW, Room 100, Washington, DC 20434 (1-877-275-3342 or 202-416-6940).

Highlights:

- On May 1, 2007, FinCEN published the attached *Federal Register* notice announcing a delay in the implementation of the revised SAR-DI form, which was scheduled to become effective on June 30, 2007, and mandatory on December 31, 2007.
- The form is being revised to standardize it with SARs used by financial institutions in other industries, and to facilitate joint filing with other depository institutions.
- FinCEN will announce new effective and mandatory dates for the revised form in a future *Federal Register* notice.
- This announcement does not impact ongoing BSA filing requirements. Financial institutions should continue to report suspicious activity by using the current SAR-DI form.

after 1993 is attributable in part to the amendment to FMVSS No. 111 (effective in December 1993), which required the areas in front of and along the sides of school buses to be viewable by the driver. Manufacturers are using cross view mirrors to comply with these requirements. We want to ensure that the drivers of these buses receive every possible reminder to make proper use of cross view mirrors.

Since the cross view mirror labels remind school bus drivers of the appropriate use of these mirrors, NHTSA has reconsidered its view concerning the label and now believes that driver training is not an adequate substitute for missing labels or labels that are not visible to the seated driver.

In consideration of the foregoing, NHTSA has decided that U.S. Bus has not met its burden of persuasion that the noncompliance described is inconsequential to motor vehicle safety. Accordingly, U.S. Bus's petition is hereby denied, and the petitioner must notify according to 49 U.S.C. 30118 and remedy according to 49 U.S.C. 30120.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

Issued on: April 24, 2007.

Daniel C. Smith,

Associate Administrator for Enforcement.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Financial Crimes Enforcement Network; Suspicious Activity Reporting; Release of Revised Suspicious Activity Reports

AGENCY: Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network ("FinCEN") is issuing this notice to communicate a delay in the dates for using the revised Suspicious Activity Report ("SAR") forms. The revised SAR forms that support joint filing were originally scheduled to become effective on June 30, 2007 and mandatory on December 31, 2007. FinCEN will establish new dates for using the revised SAR forms in a future notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Regulatory Policy and Programs Division, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network at (800) 949-2732.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

It is FinCEN's intention to implement revised SAR forms that facilitate joint filing for depository institutions,¹ casinos and card clubs,² insurance companies,³ and the securities and futures industries.⁴ On December 21, 2006, FinCEN issued a notice on its Web site explaining that financial institutions would be able to begin filing the revised SAR forms with FinCEN on June 30, 2007.⁵ We are postponing this date and the date by which use of the revised forms becomes mandatory because of recently implemented data quality initiatives. FinCEN will provide advance notice of the new dates for using the revised forms at a future time. In the meantime, financial institutions will continue to report suspicious activities using the existing SAR forms.⁶

Dated: April 26, 2007.

William F. Baity,

Deputy Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

[REG-138176-02]

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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning an existing proposed regulation, REG-138176-02 (NPRM), Timely Mailing Treated As Timely Filing.

¹ 31 CFR 103.18.

² 31 CFR 103.21.

³ 31 CFR 103.16.

⁴ 31 CFR 103.15, 103.17, and 103.19.

⁵ See Additional Suspicious Activity Reports (SAR) Revised for Other Industries to Support Joint Filing and Reduce Duplicate SARs, <http://www.fincen.gov>.

⁶ The current SAR forms can be found on FinCEN's Web page at: http://www.fincen.gov/reg_bsaforms.html#SAR.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 2, 2007 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Glenn Kirkland, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the regulation should be directed to Allan Hopkins, at (202) 622-6665, or at Internal Revenue Service, Room 6516, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet at Allan.M.Hopkins@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Timely Mailing Treated As Timely Filing.

OMB Number: 1545-1899.

Regulation Project Number: REG-138176-02.

Abstract: Under I.R.C. section 7502, in order for taxpayers to establish the postmark date and prima facie evidence of delivery when using registered or certified mail to file documents with the IRS, taxpayers will need to retain the sender's receipt.

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

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, not-for-profit institutions, farms, Federal government and State, local, or tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,847,647.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 6 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,084,765.

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 may 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