## Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Section 42(d)(5) Federal Grants

## REG-254394-96

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking by cross-reference to temporary regulations.

SUMMARY: In \*\*\* T.D. 8713, page 4, the IRS is issuing temporary regulations with respect to the low-income housing tax credit relating to the application of section 42(d)(5) to certain rental assistance programs under section 42(g)(2)-(B)(i). The text of those temporary regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations.

DATES: Written comments and requests for a public hearing must be received by April 28, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send submissions to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG-254394-96), room 5226, Internal Revenue Service, POB 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Submissions may be hand delivered between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG-254394-96), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Alternatively, taxpayers may submit comments electronically via the Internet by selecting the "Tax Regs" option on the IRS Home Page, or by submitting comments directly to the IRS Internet site at http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/ tax\_regs/comments/html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CON-TACT: Christopher J. Wilson (202) 622– 3040 (not a toll-free call).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background

Temporary regulations published in \*\*\* T.D. 8713 provide rules with re-

spect to the low-income housing tax credit relating to the application of section 42(d)(5) to certain rental assistance programs under section 42(g)(2)(B)(i). The text of those temporary regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations. The preamble to the temporary regulations explains the temporary regulations.

## Special Analyses

It has been determined that this notice of proposed rulemaking is not a significant regulatory action as defined in EO 12866. Therefore, a regulatory assessment is not required. It also has been determined that section 553(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 5) does not apply to these regulations and, because these regulations do not impose on small entities a collection of information requirement, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. chapter 6) does not apply. Therefore, a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis is not required. Pursuant to section 7805(f) of the Internal Revenue Code, this notice of proposed rulemaking will be submitted to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration for comment on its impact on small business.

# Comments and Requests for a Public Hearing

Before these proposed regulations are adopted as final regulations, consideration will be given to any written comments (a signed original and eight (8) copies) that are submitted timely to the IRS. All comments will be available for public inspection and copying. A public hearing may be scheduled if requested in writing by a person that timely submits written comments. If a public hearing is scheduled, a notice of the date, time, and place for the hearing will be published in the **Federal Register**.

### Drafting Information

The principal author of these regulations is Christopher J. Wilson, Office of Assistant Chief Counsel (Passthroughs and Special Industries). However, other personnel from the IRS and Treasury Department participated in their development.

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## Proposed Amendments to the Regulations

Accordingly, 26 CFR part 1 is proposed to be amended as follows:

### PART 1—INCOME TAXES

Paragraph 1. The authority citation for part 1 is amended by adding an entry in numerical order to read in part as follows:

Authority: 26 U.S.C. 7805 \* \* \*

Section 1.42–16 also issued under 26 U.S.C. 42(n); \* \* \*

Par. 2. Section 1.42–16 is added to read as follows:

§ 1.42–16 Eligible basis reduced by federal grants.

[The text of this proposed section is the same as the text of § 1.42–16T published in T.D. 8713, page 4.]

### Margaret Milner Richardson, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

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