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Re: Taxpayer Assistance Center Closures

Dear Ms. Kozik:

By Notice dated May 27, 2005, IR-2005-63, the IRS announced that it had reviewed the Taxpayer Assistance Centers with a view toward closing a significant number. It is our understanding that the IRS had: developed a model consisting of a five-part criteria for ranking all the Taxpayer Assistance Centers (TACs), as well as three business rules to apply to its model; received internal comments from the IRS regarding the plan to close TACs; and received external comments the Internal Revenue Service Advisory Committee regarding TAC closures. (See the attached Taxanalysts article and IR-2005-63). Under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552, please provide the University of Connecticut School of Law Tax Clinic with copies of the following:

1. A complete description of the model, criteria and components used to determine the TAC closures, including but not limited to a description of how the data points were weighted.
2. A complete description of the three business rules applied to the model.
3. The ranking of all TAC centers after the model criteria was applied.
4. All comments of IRSAC with regard to the proposed TAC closures and the model criteria.
5. All internal comments from the IRS with regard to the TAC closures, especially the model criteria.

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Please direct any notification or correspondence regarding this request to the undersigned.

Very Truly Yours,



Diana L. Leyden
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