# Form **8038-R**

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Recovery of Overpayments Under Arbitrage Rebate Provisions

► File a separate form for each issue.

► See instructions.

OMB No. 1545-1750

Par	t I	Reporting Authority				•				
1 Issu	uer's nan	ne			2 Iss	uer's employer id	entification	numbei	r (EIN)	
3 Nur	mber and	d street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to stre	eet address)	Room/su	ite 4 Re	4 Report number (For IRS Use Only)				
5 City	/, town, o	or post office, state, and ZIP code			6 Da	te of issue				
7 Name of issue						3 CUSIP number				
9 Name and title of officer of the issuer or other person whom the IRS may call for more information						10 Telephone number of officer or other person				
Part		Request for Refund of Amounts	Paid Under Rehate	Provisions	(see instruc	tions)				
11	If the	issue was outstanding on or prior to		e issuer elects	not to apply	the 1992 reg				
12	Total	amount paid under rebate provisions								
13	Reba	te amount as of the most recent comp	outation date	13						
14		unts (not included in line 12) required								
		the date the recovery is requested .								
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16 17		unt of overpayment. Subtract line 15 for putations and relevant facts that led to								
18	Sche	dule of payments (see instructions). A	ttach additional sheets	if necessary.						
Par	t III	Other Information (see instruction	ons)	Check the "Ye	s" or "No" box	for each question	on below.	Yes	No	
19	Was	the overpayment paid as penalty in lie	u of rebate under sect	ion 148(f)(4)(C)	(vii)?		▶ 19		<del> </del>	
20	Has t	the final computation date for the issue	e occurred?				▶ 20			
21								EIN o	f that	
	Nam	Name ► EIN ►								
22	If the issuer wishes to authorize the IRS to communicate directly with a person who is a representative of the entity listed on line 21, check the box and enter the name and telephone number of such person.									
	Nam			Phone no.						
Signature and Consent		,								
		Signature of issuer's authorized representat	ive [	Date	Type or print i	name and title				
Paid		Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature		Date	Check if self-employed	PTIN			
Preparer Use Only		Firm's name ▶			+	Firm's EIN ▶	1			
							Phone no.			

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### What's New

Claims for recovery of overpayments cannot be filed later than the date that is 2 years after the final computation date under Regulations section 1.148-3(e)(2) for the applicable issue of bonds, or 2 years from July 1, 2008, for an issue of bonds whose final computation date is on or before June 24, 2008. See Rev. Proc. 2008-37, which is on page 137 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2008-29 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/ irb08-29.pdf.

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted

Note. Use a separate Form 8038-R for each issue.

## Purpose of Form

Form 8038-R is used by issuers of state and local bonds to request a refund of amounts paid with Form 8038-T, Arbitrage Rebate, Yield Reduction, and Penalty in Lieu of Arbitrage Rebate.

Payments made with Form 8038-T that may be recoverable include:

- 1. Yield reduction payments,
- 2. The arbitrage rebate to the United States,
- 3. A penalty in lieu of rebating arbitrage to the United States, or
- 4. A penalty to terminate the election to pay a penalty in lieu of rebating arbitrage.

## **Recovery of Overpayment**

In general, an issuer may recover an overpayment of rebate for an issue of bonds by establishing to the Internal Revenue Service that the overpayment occurred. An overpayment is the excess of the amount paid to the United States for an issue under section 148 over the sum of the rebate amount for the issue as of the most recent computation date and all amounts that are otherwise required to be paid under section 148 as of the date the recovery is requested.

An overpayment may be recovered only to the extent that a recovery on the date that it is first requested would not result in an additional rebate amount if that date were treated as a computation date.

Except for overpayments of penalty in lieu of rebate under section 148(f)(4)(C)(vii) and Regulations section 1.148-7(k), an overpayment of less than \$5,000 may not be recovered before the final computation date. See Regulations section 1.148-3(i).

The amount of rebate overpayment is based on the amount actually paid, not the future value of the amount paid.

Note. Regulations section 1.148-3(b) provides that as of any date, the rebate amount for an issue is the excess of the future value, as of that date, of all receipts on nonpurpose investments over the future value, as of that date, of all payments on nonpurpose investments. The definitions of payments and receipts in Regulations section 1.148-3(d), in part, require inclusion of transactions (including, but not limited to, acquisition, earnings and return of principal) on a date for each nonpurpose investment. Any cash flow representation to the contrary may result in the understatement of rebate amount. Yield reduction payments are determined using payments and receipts as described in Regulations section 1.148-5(b)(1).

#### **Processing the Request**

When filing Form 8038-R, you must provide:

- All copies of Form(s) 8038-T related to the request for refund, and
- The computations of the overpayment and interest (if any) on line 17. The computations must show all cash flows from the issue date to the computation date reflecting the overpayment (for example, if a series of reports were prepared all such reports must be provided, unless the last report details all cash flows). Provide any additional attachments if needed.

Generally, this information will be sufficient to determine whether a refund is appropriate. For refund claim rejections where there is a procedural deficiency or where an issuer has failed to provide sufficient information to enable a determination that an overpayment occurred, the IRS will contact the issuer or its representative to resolve the deficiency. If all the requested information is not timely received, a letter will be sent explaining that the request for recovery is deficient and that its processing is rejected.

For refund claim denials, in full or in part, if the IRS makes a preliminary determination to deny a refund claim, the IRS will notify the issuer in writing that it may submit additional information or participate in a conference, or both. Additional information must be submitted within 21 days of the request for additional information or the conference. If the issuer fails to submit additional information or if the IRS disagrees that an overpayment occurred, the IRS will send the issuer a registered or certified letter denying the claim, subject to the issuer's appeal rights.

The procedures for processing a request for refund are detailed in Rev. Proc. 2008-37 which is on page 137 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2008-29 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb08-29.pdf.

An issuer is entitled to appeal a refund claim denial. See Rev. Proc. 2006-40 which is on page 694 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2006-42 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-42.pdf, for details.

### Where To File

File Form 8038-R, and attachments, with the Internal Revenue Service, Ogden Submission Processing Center, Ogden, UT 84201.

Private delivery services. You can use certain private delivery services designated by the IRS to meet the "timely mailing as timely filing/ paying" rule for tax returns and payments. These private delivery services include only the following:

- DHL Express (DHL): DHL Same Day Service.
- Federal Express (FedEx): FedEx Priority Overnight, FedEx Standard Overnight, FedEx 2Day, FedEx International Priority, and FedEx International First.
- United Parcel Service (UPS): UPS Next Day Air, UPS Next Day Air Saver, UPS 2nd Day Air, UPS 2nd Day Air A.M., UPS Worldwide Express Plus, and UPS Worldwide Express.

The private delivery service can tell you how to get written proof of the mailing date.



Private delivery services cannot deliver items to P.O. boxes. You must use the U.S. Postal Service to mail any item to an CAUTION IRS P.O. box address.

# Specific Instructions

Line 1. Enter the name of the governmental entity that issued the bonds, not the name of the entity receiving the benefit of the financing.

### Part I. Reporting Authority

Line 6. Enter the date of issue. This date should be identical to the date on the corresponding Form 8038-T, Part I, line 6. This is generally the first date on which there is a physical exchange of the bonds for the purchase price.

Line 7. Enter the name of the issue. This name should be identical to the name listed on the corresponding Form 8038-T, Part I, line 7. If there is no name, please provide other identification of the issue.

Line 8. Enter the CUSIP (Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures) number of the bond with the latest maturity. The CUSIP should be identical to the CUSIP listed on the corresponding Form 8038-T, Part I, line 8. Enter "None" if the issue does not have a CUSIP number.

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**Lines 9 and 10.** Enter the name, title, and telephone number of the officer of the issuer whom the IRS may call for more information. If the issuer designates a person other than an officer of the issuer (including a legal representative or paid preparer) whom the IRS may call for more information with respect to this return, enter the name, title, and telephone number of such person here.

**Note.** By authorizing a person other than an authorized officer of the issuer to communicate with the IRS and whom the IRS may call for more information with respect to this return, the issuer authorizes the IRS to communicate directly with the individual listed in line 9 and consents to the disclosure of the issuer's return information to that individual, as necessary, in order to process this return.

## Part II. Request for Refund

Line 11. Current Regulations sections 1.148-1 through 1.148-11 apply to issues outstanding after June 30, 1993. If the issue was outstanding prior to July 1, 1993, the 1992 regulations apply (that is, Regulations sections 1.148-1 through 1.148-12 effective May 18, 1992 (T.D. 8418, 1992-1 C.B. 29)). However, check the box if the issue was outstanding prior to July 1, 1993, and the issuer has elected not to apply the 1992 regulations; the current Regulations sections 1.148-1 through 1.148-11 apply.

**Line 17.** Provide the computations of the overpayment paid as part of a rebate payment, penalty in lieu of rebate, or to terminate the penalty in lieu of rebate. Also, include the computations for interest (if any). A description of the facts that led to the overpayment must be included on this form.

**Line 18.** Provide a schedule showing amounts and dates that payments were made to the United States for the issue. Attach copies of Form(s) 8038-T that accompanied payments to the United States.

### Part III. Other Information

**Line 20.** The final computation date is the date the issue is discharged. For details, see Regulations section 1.148-3(e)(2).

**Line 21.** Enter the name and EIN of an entity, other than a governmental entity, that is to use proceeds of these obligations. If more than one, attach a schedule.

**Line 22.** If the issuer wishes to authorize the IRS to communicate directly with a person who is a representative of the entity listed on line 21, check the box and enter the name and telephone number of such person.

**Note.** By authorizing a person other than an authorized officer of the issuer to communicate with the IRS and whom the IRS may contact with respect to this return, the issuer authorizes the IRS to communicate directly with the individual entered in line 22 and consents to disclose the issuer's return information to that individual, as necessary, in order to process this return.

### Signature and Consent

An authorized representative of the issuer must sign Form 8038-R and any applicable certification. Also print the name and title of the person signing Form 8038-R.

The authorized representative of the issuer signing this form must have the authority to consent to the disclosure of the issuer's return information, including information provided on the issuer's corresponding Form 8038-T, as necessary to process this return, to the person(s) that have been designated in Form 8038-R.

**Note.** If authority is granted in line 9 or line 22 for the IRS to communicate with a person other than an officer of the issuer, by signing this form, the issuer's authorized representative consents to the disclosure of issuer's return information, as necessary to process this return, to such person.

#### **Paid Preparer**

If an authorized representative of the issuer filled in its return, the paid preparer's space should remain blank. Anyone who prepares the return but does not charge the organization should not sign the return. Certain others who prepare the return should not sign. For example, a regular, full-time employee of the issuer, such as a clerk, secretary, etc., should not sign.

Generally, anyone who is paid to prepare a return must sign it and fill in the other blanks in the *Paid Preparer Use Only* area of the return.

The paid preparer must:

- Sign the return in the space provided for the preparer's signature (a facsimile signature is acceptable),
- Enter the preparer information, and
- Give a copy of the return to the issuer.

**Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.** We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is: **Recordkeeping**, 5 hr., 44 min.; **Learning about the law or the form**, 3 hr., 10 min.; **Preparing, copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS**, 3 hr., 24 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Internal Revenue Service, Tax Products Coordinating Committee, SE:W:CAR:MP:T:T:SP, 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6526, Washington, DC 20224. Do not send the form to this address. Instead, see *Where To File* earlier.