U.S. Partnership Declaration and Signature for Electronic Filing

OMB No. 1545-0970

Employer identification number

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Name of partnership

For calendar year 2004, or fiscal year beginning, 2004, and ending, 20

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Purpose of Form

Use Form 8453-P to:

- Authenticate the electronic Form 1065, U.S. Return of Partnership Income;
- Serve as a transmittal for any accompanying paper schedules and statements; and
- Authorize the electronic filer to transmit via a third-party transmitter.

Caution. A tax return is not considered filed unless it is signed. Form 8453-P is the signature document that completes the filing of the Form(s) 1065 filed electronically.

Who Must File

Every partnership filing a 2004 Form 1065 electronically must file a signed Form 8453-P.

Signature For Multiple-Return Filing

A single signature may be used for a multiple-return filing if the person signing for the partnerships is authorized to sign each return. The signer must attach a multiple-return information listing according to the instructions in Pub. 1524, Procedures for the 1065 e-file Program, U.S. Return of Partnership Income for Tax Year 2004. Do not enter totals from multiple returns on lines 1 through 5.

Where To File

Internal Revenue Service Ogden Submission Processing Center Mail Stop 6052 Ogden, UT 84201

When To File

A partnership must file its return of income by the 15th day of the 4th month following the close of the partnership's tax year. This filing date also applies to returns filed electronically. For returns filed electronically, the transmitter must send the signed Form 8453-P within 3 business days after the electronic transmission has been accepted.

Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer

The ERO is one who deals directly with the partnership and either prepares tax returns or collects prepared tax returns, including Forms 8453-P, for partnerships that file their returns electronically. The ERO's signature is required by the IRS.

A paid preparer who is not also the ERO must sign Form 8453-P in the space for *Paid Preparer's Use Only*. A paid preparer who is also the ERO should instead check the box in the *ERO's Use Only* section labeled "Check if also paid preparer."

Privacy Act and 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 and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax. Section 6109 requires return preparers to provide their identifying numbers on the return.

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 Internal Revenue Code section 6103.

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is:

Recordkeeping		. 6 min.
Learning about the law or the form .		. 5 min.
Preparing the form		19 min.
Copying, assembling, and sending		
the form to the IRS		16 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-6406, Washington, DC 20224. Do not send Form 8453-P to this address. Instead, see *Where To File* on this page.