Federal Return and the Forms and Schedules to Include with the Corporation Business Tax Return Pursuant to P.L. 2020, C. 118

Revision Information: This Technical Bulletin was revised on August 20, 2021, to include that Schedule UTP is one of the items that is required to be submitted as part of a full and complete New Jersey return if the taxpayer filed the schedule for Federal purposes.

P.L. 2020, c. 118 (Chapter 118), which was signed into law on November 4, 2020, made a series of technical corrections, clarifications, and changes to the Corporation Business Tax Act. This Technical Bulletin discusses the amendments to N.J.S.A. 54:10A-14.

Effective for privilege periods ending on and after July 31, 2020, N.J.S.A. 54:10A-14 states in relevant part:

(a) The director shall require any taxpayer or managerial member to submit, as part of a full and complete New Jersey return, copies or pertinent extracts of its federal income tax returns, or of any other tax return filed with any agency of the federal government, or of this or any other state, or of any statement or registration made pursuant to any state or federal law pertaining to securities or securities exchange regulation. The director shall issue regulations describing which federal extracts are required and which extracts are optional.

For federal purposes, taxpayers are required to complete and attach a variety of schedules for various parts of the federal return in order to comply with various provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. For New Jersey Corporation Business Tax purposes, some of the supporting schedules that are required for federal tax purposes are not necessary since certain federal forms are not applicable to provisions of the New Jersey Corporation Business Tax Act.

Taxpayers must include a copy of the federal return (or returns in the case of certain combined groups), including all attachments, that was filed with the Internal Revenue Service for the privilege period (i.e., Form 1120, 1120-F, 1120-S, etc., as applicable).

If any of the following forms and/or schedules were submitted with the federal return(s), they must also be included as part of a full and complete New Jersey Corporation Business Tax return:

- Form 851
- Form 1118
- Form 1125-A
- Form 1125-E
- Form 4562
- Form 4797
- Form 5471
- Form 5472
- Form 8858
- Form 8990
- Form 8992
- Form 8993
- Schedule D
- Schedule M-3
- Schedule UTP

Failure to include a copy of the federal return as well as the above noted forms (if the taxpayer attached them as part of their original federal return) filed with the Internal Revenue Service will result in an incomplete New Jersey Corporation Business Tax Return and the taxpayer may be assessed penalties and interest for noncompliance.
All other federal forms and schedules not listed above must be made available to Division of Taxation staff upon request.

The Division of Taxation is in the process of drafting regulations addressing the topics covered by this Technical Bulletin.

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