

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion; third party disclosures.

*Needs and Uses:* In the Report and Order issued in CC Docket No. 95-20, released March 10, 1998, the Commission eliminates outdated, unnecessary regulations, while continuing to protect against potential anticompetitive behavior by the Bell Operating Companies (BOCs) in the provision of information services. The Commission established several collections of information: (1) The Commission no longer requires BOCs to file their Comparably Efficient Interconnection (CEI) plans with the Commission and to obtain pre-approval of CEI plans and amendments before initiating or altering an intraLATA information service. Instead, we require BOCs to post their CEI plans and plan amendments on their publicly accessible Internet sites linked to and searchable from the BOC's main Internet page, and to notify the Common Carrier Bureau at the time of the posting. The substance of the notification may be limited to the Internet address and path to the relevant CEI plan or amended plan; the form may consist of a letter to the Secretary with a copy to the Bureau. The requirement extends to CEI plans for new or modified telemessaging or alarm monitoring services, and for new or amended payphone services. In addition, if the BOC receives a good faith request for a plan from someone who does not have Internet access, the BOC must notify that person where a paper copy of the plan is available for public inspection. (2) The Commission removes the Computer II network disclosure rules for BOCs providing information through a Compute II separate subsidiary, the Computer II carrier rule, and the Computer III network disclosure rules. The Commission extends the disclosure requirements in Section 51.325(a) of its rules to require incumbent LECs to provide public notice of any network changes that will affect the manner in which CPE is attached to the network. The collections relating to CEI plans will be used to ensure that BOCs comply with Commission policies and regulations safeguarding against potential anticompetitive behavior by the BOCs in the provision of information services. The disclosure of CPE is necessary to encourage competition in the telecommunications services market by lifting operations barriers to entry.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

July 14, 1999.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. For further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418-1379.

#### Federal Communications Commission

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0898.

*Expiration Date:* 12/31/98.

*Title:* Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Anti-Cramming Best Practices Statistics.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 9 respondents; 9 hours per response (avg.); 81 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* One time requirement.

*Description:* Certain incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) have been requested to submit data regarding records of consumer complaints for cramming. Cramming is the placement of invalid or unclear charges on consumers' local telephone bills. ILECs possess information that will assist the Commission in determining the degree to which the anti-cramming best practices have been effective during the past year. The information will also provide the Commission with the ability to suggest modifications to the guidelines prior to competition. Obligation to comply: Voluntary.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0540.

*Expiration Date:* 05/31/2002.

*Title:* Tariff Filing Requirements for Non-dominant Common Carriers.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 2000 respondents; 10.5 hours per response (avg.); 21,000 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$1,260,000.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Description:* Domestic nondominant carriers must file tariffs pursuant to 47 USC Section 203, implementing regulations are found at 47 CFR Sections 61.20-61.23. The information collected pursuant to the nondominant tariff filing rules is used to comply with Section 203 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, which requires that carriers file schedules indicating the rates, terms, and conditions of their service offerings. The information collected pursuant to the tariff filing requirements is used by the Commission to determine whether the rates, terms, and conditions of service offered are just and reasonable as the Act requires. These tariff filing requirements enable the Commission and the public to ensure that the service offerings of communications common carriers comply with the requirements of the Act. Obligation to respond: Mandatory.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0853.

*Expiration Date:* 05/31/2002.

*Title:* Receipt of Service Confirmation Form; Universal Service for Schools and Libraries.

*Form No.:* FCC 486.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 30,000 respondents; 1.5 hours per response (avg.); 45,000 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Description:* The Commission adopted rules providing support for all telecommunications services, Internet access, and internal connections for all eligible schools and libraries. To participate in the program, schools and libraries must confirm that they are actually receiving the services eligible for support. FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation Form is used by all billed entities who filed an FCC Form 471 on behalf of an eligible school, library, library consortium, or consortium of multiple entities, to inform the School and Library Division when they begin receiving or have received service from the service provider. The FCC Form 486 is also used to confirm that technology plans of entities applying for universal service support have a plan in place to utilize the services for which they have contracted, and to indicate the name of

the authorized reviewing body, contact name, and contact telephone number. The FCC Form 486 is used to implement the Congressional mandate for universal service. Applications and forms used to administer the universal service schools and libraries program, including FCC Form 472, Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form, may be obtained by calling the Schools and Libraries Division at 1-888-203-8100 or visiting 2021 L Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20037. Obligation to comply: To obtain or retain benefits.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0106.

*Expiration Date:* 10/31/99.

*Title:* Section 43.61—Reports of Overseas Telecommunications Traffic. *Form No.:* N/A.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 440 respondents; 47.8 hours per response (avg.); 21,070 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$518,000.

*Frequency of Response:* Annual, Quarterly, On occasion.

*Description:* The telecommunications traffic data report is an annual reporting requirement imposed on common carriers engaged in the provision of overseas telecommunications services. The collection of Section 43.61 overseas telecommunications traffic data is necessary for the Commission to fulfill its regulatory responsibilities under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Sections 151-614 (1996). The collected data are essential to both the Commission and carriers for international facilities planning, facility authorization, monitoring emerging developments in communications services, analyzing market structures, tracking the balance of payments in international communications services, and market analysis purposes. Subject carriers are required to submit their annual reports no later than July 31 of each year for the preceding period of January through December. A revised report must be submitted for inaccuracies exceeding five percent of the reported figure by October 31, pursuant to Section 43.61(a)(2). Obligation to respond: Mandatory.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0411.

*Expiration Date:* 06/30/2002.

*Title:* Procedures for Formal Complaints Filed Against Common Carriers.

*Form No.:* FCC Form 485.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit; Individuals; Not-for-Profit Institutions; Federal Government; and State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 5645 respondents; 2.95 hours per response (avg.); 16,677 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$63,000.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Description:* Sections 206 to 209 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended provide the statutory framework for our current rules for resolving formal complaints filed against common carriers. Section 208(a) authorizes complaints by any person complaining of anything done or omitted to be done by any common carrier subject to the provisions of the Act. Section 208(a) specifically states that it should be the duty of the Commission to investigate the matters complained of in such manner and by such means as it shall deem proper. Information filed pursuant to 47 CFR 1.720 *et seq.* is provided either with or in response to a formal complaint to determine whether or not there has been a violation of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or the Commission's Rules or Orders. Respondents must submit a FCC Form 485 (Formal Complaint Intake Form) with any formal complaint to indicate that the complaint satisfies the applicable procedural and substantive requirements under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and the FCC's rules. The information is used by the Commission to determine the sufficiency of the complaint and aid its processing by the staff. FCC Form 485 is being revised. A public notice will be issued to announce the availability of the revised FCC Form 485 for public use. Affected respondents are complainants and potential defendant common carriers. Obligations to respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Public reporting burden for the collections of information is as noted above. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the collections of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden to Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Washington, DC 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collection(s) Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

July 14, 1999.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before August 23, 1999. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at [lesmith@fcc.gov](mailto:lesmith@fcc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0713.

*Title:* Alternative Broadcast Inspection Program (ABIP) Compliance Notification.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit entities; and Not-for-profit institutions.