

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority; Comments Requested

December 28, 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(s), 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 March 7, 2000. 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 A-804, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to 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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0720.
Title: Report of Bell Operating Companies of Modified Comparably Efficient Interconnection Plans.
Form Number: N/A.
Type of Review: Extension.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 7 respondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: 6 hours per response (avg.).

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Total Annual Burden: 42 hours.

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

Needs and Uses: Bell Operating Companies are required to supplement the CEI plans they already file with the Commission with descriptions of how they are complying with the CEI equal access parameters. Without provision of these reports, the Commission would be unable to ascertain whether the BOCs were providing competing payphone providers with unbundled nondiscriminatory access to its network features and functionalities. The report allows the Commission to determine how the BOC will provide competing payphone providers with equal access to all the basic underlying network services that are provided to its own payphones.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0722.

Title: Initial Report of Bell Operating Companies of Comparably Efficient Interconnection Plans.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 7 respondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: 50 hours per response (avg.).

Frequency of Response: One-time.

Total Annual Burden: 350 hours.

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

Needs and Uses: Bell Operating Companies are required to provide initial CEI plans describing how they intend to comply with the CEI equal access parameters. Thereafter, they may include this information in the CEI plans they already file with the Commission. The report allows the Commission to determine how the BOCs will provide competing payphone providers with equal access to all the basic underlying network services that are provided to its own payphones.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0099.

Title: Annual Report—Form M.

Form Number: FCC Form M.

Type of Review: Extension.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 3 respondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1,120 hours per response (avg.).

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Total Annual Burden: 3,360 hours.

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

Needs and Uses: Filing of the FCC Form M is required by Sections 1.785 and 43.21 of the FCC Rules and Section 219 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Filing of the Form M is required by subject telephone carriers having annual operating revenues in excess of the indexed revenue threshold. The data are used by staff members in the regulation of the telephone industry and by the public in analyzing the industry.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0894.

Title: Certification Letter Accounting for Receipt of Federal Support (CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 96-262).

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension.

Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 51 respondents.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3 hours per response (avg.).

Frequency of Response: On occasion; annually.

Total Annual Burden: 153 hours.

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

Needs and Uses: The Commission requires states to certify that carriers within the state had accounted for its receipt of federal support in its rates or otherwise used the support pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 254(e). This information will be used to show that federal high-cost support is being provided to the carrier to assist in keeping rates affordable in those subscribers' area. Further, the collection of information will be used to verify that the carriers have accounted for its receipt of federal support in its rates or otherwise used the support for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended in accordance with 47 U.S.C. Section 254(e).

Federal Communications Commission.

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Secretary.

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December 27, 1999.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commissions, as part of its continuing