

**Authority:** This notice is issued under the authority of sections 2002(a), 3006, and 7004(b) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6912(a), 6926, 6974(b).

Dated: June 14, 2000.

**Jerry Clifford,**

*Acting Regional Administrator.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 52

[CC Docket No. 99-200; FCC 00-104]

#### Numbering Resource Optimization

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule; announcement of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) implemented numbering resource optimization measures that will minimize the negative impact on consumers of premature area code exhausts; ensure sufficient access to numbering resources for all service providers to enter into or to compete in telecommunications markets; avoid, or at least delay, exhaust of the North American Number Plan (NANP) and the need to expand the NANP; impose the least societal cost possible, and ensure competitive neutrality, while obtaining the highest benefit; ensure that no class of carrier or consumer is unduly favored or disfavored by our optimization efforts; and minimize the incentives for carriers to build and carry excessively large inventories of numbers. Section 52.15(f) of the Commission's rules, which imposes new information collection requirements, becomes effective on July 17, 2000.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The amendment to 47 CFR 52.15(f) published at 65 FR 37703, June 16, 2000, becomes effective on July 17, 2000.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 17, 2000, the Commission adopted a Report and Order implementing administrative and technical measures that will allow it to monitor more closely the way numbering resources are used within the NANP. See 65 FR 37703, June 16, 2000. Section 52.15(f) of the Commission's rules imposes new information collection requirements.

Section 52.15(f) provides that for purposes of forecast and utilization reports, reporting shall commence August 1, 2000. In the **Federal Register** publication, we stated that "§ 52.15(f) \* \* \* contains information collection requirements that have not been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)." See 65 FR 37703, June 16, 2000. OMB approved the information collections on June 23, 2000. See OMB No. 3060-0895. This publication satisfies our statement that the Commission would publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of § 52.15(f).

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 64

[CC Docket No. 98-170; FCC 00-111]

#### Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** In this document concerning Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format, we grant, in part, petitions for reconsideration of the requirements that telephone bills highlight new service providers and prominently display inquiry contact numbers. We deny all other petitions seeking reconsideration, but provide clarification with respect to certain issues. We note that several petitioners make arguments substantially similar to those addressed previously in the Truth-in-Billing Order and offer no new information to persuade us that our decisions in the Truth-in-Billing Order were erroneous. This document addresses only those new arguments raised in the petitions that we have not already considered and rejected.

**DATES:** Effective July 13, 2000 except for the amendments to §§ 64.2401(a), (d), and (e), which contain information collection requirements that are not effective until approved by the Office of Management Budget (OMB). The Commission will publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of these sections.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of a Commission's Order on Reconsideration in CC Docket No. 98-170 released on March 29, 2000. The full text of this document is available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 Twelfth Street, SW, Washington, DC, 20554.

#### I. Introduction and Background

1. In this Order, we address several petitions for reconsideration or clarification of the principles and guidelines contained in *Truth-in-Billing and Billing Format*, First Report and Order (TIB Order), 64 FR 34487 (June 25, 1999), 64 FR 55163 (October 12, 1999), 64 FR 56177 (October 18, 1999). In the *TIB Order*, we adopted principles and guidelines designed to reduce telecommunications fraud such as slamming and cramming by making telephone bills easier for consumers to read and understand, and thereby, making such fraud easier to detect and report. Our truth-in-billing principles and guidelines require common carriers to: (1) Identify the telecommunications service provider, separate charges on bills by service provider, and notify customers when a new entity has begun providing service; (2) provide on telephone bills brief, clear, non-misleading, plain language descriptions of services rendered; and (3) provide a toll-free number for customers to call to lodge a complaint or to obtain information about any charge contained in the bill. Carriers also must identify on bills those charges for which failure to pay will not result in disconnection of the customer's basic, local service. Finally, we held that carriers must use standardized labels on bills to refer to certain line item charges relating to federal regulatory activity, such as the PICC, local number portability, and subscriber line charge.

2. Six parties filed petitions for reconsideration and/or clarification of the principles and guidelines adopted in the *TIB Order*. In this Order, we grant, in part, petitions for reconsideration of the requirements that telephone bills highlight new service providers and prominently display inquiry contact numbers. We deny all other petitions seeking reconsideration, but provide clarification with respect to certain issues. We note that several petitioners make arguments substantially similar to those addressed previously in the *TIB Order* and offer no new information to persuade us that our decisions in the *TIB Order* were erroneous. This Order