

patterns and modernization plans related to their plant accounts so that we can maintain realistic ranges of depreciable life and salvage factors for each of the major plant accounts. The information that carriers will be required to submit include: forecast additions and retirements for major network accounts; replacement plans for digital central offices; and information concerning relative investments in fiber and copper cable.

The information filed is used by the Commission to establish proper depreciation rates to be charged by carriers, pursuant to Section 220(b) of the Act. Without this information, the validity of the carriers' depreciation policies could not be ascertained.

OMB Control No.: 3060-0233.

Title: Part 36—Separations.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 1,804.

Estimated Time Per Response: 22 hours per response for annual and quarterly loop cost filings. Five hours per response for quarterly line count data filings.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, quarterly, and annual reporting requirements and third party disclosure requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 58,418 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: N/A.

Needs and Uses: The Commission is submitting this information collection to OMB as an extension (no change in public reporting requirements) in order to obtain the full three-year clearance from them.

In order to determine which carriers are entitled to universal service support, all (both non-rural and rural) incumbent local exchange carriers (LECs) must provide the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) with the loop cost and loop count data required by 47 CFR 36.611 for each of its study areas and, if applicable, for each wire center as that term is defined in 47 CFR Part 54. Loops are the telephone lines running from the carriers' switching facilities to the customer. The loop cost and loop count information is to be filed annually with NECA by July 31st of each year, and may be updated quarterly pursuant to 47 CFR 36.612. Pursuant to section 36.613, the information filed on July 31st of each year will be used to calculate universal service support for each study area and is filed by NECA with the Commission on October 1 of each year. An incumbent LEC is defined

as a carrier that meets the definition of "incumbent local exchange carrier" in section 51.5 of the Commission's rules. Section 36.612(a) also requires non-rural carriers to file loop counts (no loop cost data) on a quarterly basis. The Commission requires that non-rural carriers submit quarterly loop counts in order to ensure that universal service fund (USF) support for non-rural carriers is accurately calculated when competitive eligible telecommunication carriers (ETCs) are present in the incumbent LECs' operating areas. Quarterly loop cost and loop count data filings are voluntary for rural carriers. When a competitive ETC, however, is operating in an incumbent rural carrier's territory, the incumbent rural carrier is required to submit quarterly loop count data. Quarterly filings of loop counts are necessary because if an incumbent rural carrier does not update its loop count data more often than annually, but its competitor does, the competitor's more recent data may include loops captured from the incumbent since the incumbent's last filing. Thus, the incumbent would continue to receive support based on an overstated number of loops.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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

July 27, 2006.

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 (PRA) 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 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 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before October 2, 2006. 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: You may submit your all Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments by email or U.S. postal mail. To submit your comments by email send them to PRA@fcc.gov. To submit your comments by U.S. mail, mark them to the attention of Cathy Williams, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C823, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection(s) send an email to PRA@fcc.gov or contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0055.

Title: Application for Cable Television Relay Service Station License.

Form Number: FCC Form 327.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Number of Respondents: 400.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement; Every five years reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 1,266 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$88,000.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: FCC Form 327 is the application for a Cable Television Relay Service (CARS) microwave radio license. Franchised cable systems and other eligible services use the 2, 7, 12 and 18 GHz CARS bands for microwave relays pursuant to Part 78 of the Commission's Rules. CARS is principally a video transmission service used for intermediate links in a distribution network. CARS stations relay signals for and supply program

material to cable television systems and other eligible entities using point-to-point and point-to-multipoint transmissions. These relay stations enable cable systems and other CARS licensees to transmit television broadcast and low power television and related audio signals, AM and FM broadcast stations, and cablecasting from one point (e.g., on one side of a river or mountain) to another point (e.g., the other side of the river or mountain) or many points ("multipoint") via microwave. The filing is done for an initial license, for modification of an existing license, for transfer or assignment of an existing license, and for renewal of a license after five years from initial issuance or from renewal of a license. Filing is done in accordance with Sections 78.11 to 78.40 of the Commission's Rules. The form consists of multiple schedules and exhibits, depending on the specific action for which it is filed. Initial applications are the most complete and renewal applications are the most brief. The data collected is used by Commission staff to determine whether grant of a license is in accordance with Commission requirements on eligibility, permissible use, efficient use of spectrum, and prevention of interference to existing stations.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CG Docket No. 03-123; DA 06-1506]

The Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Reminds State Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Programs and Interstate TRS Providers of Their Obligations

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission notifies the public, certified state Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) programs, and interstate TRS providers that they are required to submit to the Commission a designated agent for the service of informal and formal complaints. Additionally, the Commission reminds certified state TRS programs, Video Relay Service, IP Relay of their obligation to notify the Commission of any substantive changes in their TRS

programs within 60 days of when they occur, and must certify that the TRS program continues to meet federal minimum standards after implementing the substantive change.

DATES: Effective July 25, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arlene Alexander, (202) 418-0581 (voice), (202) 418-0183 (TTY), or e-mail: Arlene.Alexander@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's document, DA 06-1506, released July 25, 2006. This document reminds certified state TRS programs and interstate TRS providers of their obligation to provide the Commission a designated point of contact for TRS complaints, and of the obligation of certified state TRS programs and RS and IP Relay providers to notify the Commission of any substantive changes in their TRS program, within 60 days of the substantive change, certifying that the TRS provided continues to meet the minimum standards. Any changes to the points of contact or to the TRS program may be sent to the Commission via e-mail to TRS_POC@fcc.gov. Contact information for TRS programs is posted on the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau's Web at: http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/dro/trs_contact_list.html.

The full text of document DA 06-1506 and copies of any subsequently filed documents in this matter will be available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. Document DA 06-1506 and copies of subsequently filed documents in this matter may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor at Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554. Customers may contact the Commission's contractor at their Web site www.bcpweb.com or call 1-800-378-3160.

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Synopsis

On March 6, 2000, the Commission released a *Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (RO & FNPRM)* CC Docket 98-67, FCC 00-56, 15 FCC Rcd 5140 (March 6, 2000), published at 65 FR 38432, June 21, 2000 and 65 FR 38490, June 21, 2000, that adopted regulations requiring certified state Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) programs and interstate TRS providers submit to the Commission a designated agent for the service of informal and formal complaints. The designation shall include a name or department designation, business address, telephone number (voice and TTY), facsimile number and, if available, internet e-mail address. Additionally, the Commission required certified state TRS programs to notify the Commission of any substantive changes in their TRS programs within 60 days of when they occur, and must certify that the TRS program continues to meet Federal minimum standards after implementing the substantive change. (See 47 CFR 64.604 and 64.605 of the Commission's rules).

Federal Communications Commission.

Jay Keithley,

Deputy Chief, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 06-1485]

Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Reminds Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturers and Telecommunications Services Providers of Their Obligations

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission reminds telecommunications equipment manufacturers and telecommunications service providers of their obligation to designate an agent for service of informal and formal complaints received by the Commission.

DATES: Effective July 21, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arlene Alexander, (202) 418-0581 (voice), (202) 418-0183 (TTY), or e-mail: Arlene.Alexander@fcc.gov.