FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collection Requirement Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval, Comments Requested


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 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before January 10, 2008. 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 contacts listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, via Internet at Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov or via fax at (202) 395–5167 and to Cathy Williams, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1–C823, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC or via Internet at Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov.

To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the web page http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain, (2) look for the section of the web page called “Currently Under Review,” (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review” heading, (4) select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the “Select Agency” box, (5) click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, (6) when the list of FCC ICs currently under review appears, look for the title of this ICR (or its OMB control number, if there is one) and then click on the ICR Reference Number to view detailed information about this ICR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418–2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060–XXXX. Title: Sections 225 and 235, Interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol Services (VoIP).

Form Number: Not applicable.

Type of Review: New collection.

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

Number of Respondents: 5,711. Estimated Time per Response: 1–20 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual and on-occasion reporting requirements; Recordkeeping requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Total Annual Burden: 149,576 hours. Total Annual Cost: $5,711,000.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Confidentiality is an issue to the extent that individuals and households provide personally identifiable information, which is covered under the FCC’s system of records notice (SORN), FCC/CGB–1, “Informal Complaints and Inquiries.”

Privacy Impact Assessment: Yes. The Privacy Impact Assessment was completed on June 28, 2007. It may be reviewed at: http://www.fcc.gov/oimd/privacyact/Privacy_Impact_Assessment.html.

Needs and Use: On June 15, 2007, the Commission released a Report and Order, In the Matters of IP-Enabled Services; Implementation of sections 225 and 251(a)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Enacted by the Telecommunications Act of 1996: Access to Telecommunications Service, Telecommunications Equipment and Customer Premises Equipment by Persons with Disabilities; the Use of N11 Codes and Other Abbreviated Dialing Arrangements, FCC 07–110, FCC 07–110 extends the disability access requirements that currently apply to telecommunications service providers and equipment manufacturers under section 255 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), to providers of “interconnected voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services,” as defined by the Commission, and to manufacturers of specially designed equipment used to provide those services. In addition, the Commission extends to interconnected VoIP providers the Telecommunications Relay Services requirements contained in its regulations, pursuant to section 225(b)(1) of the Act. As applied to interconnected VoIP providers and to manufacturers of specialized VoIP equipment, several requirements adopted by FCC 07–110 contain new or modified information collection requirements that have not been approved by OMB, and on which the Commission must seek comment under the PRA. For example, several rules that FCC 07–110 extends to interconnected VoIP providers and/or equipment manufacturers contain procedures governing a provider or manufacturer’s obligation to respond to an informal consumer complaint. Other rules detail VoIP providers’ and VoIP equipment manufacturers’ duty to make available to the public certain information concerning their respective services or products. In particular, the following rules, as applied to interconnected VoIP providers and to manufacturers of specialized VoIP equipment and customer premises equipment, contain new or modified information collection requirements: 47 CFR 6.11(a), 6.11(b), 6.18(b), 6.19, 64.604(a)(5), 64.604(c)(1)(i), 64.604(c)(1)(ii), 64.604(c)(2), 64.604(c)(3), 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(C), 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(E), 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(G), 64.604(c)(6)(v)(A)(3), 64.604(c)(6)(v)(G), 64.604(c)(7), and 64.606(b) of the Commission’s rules.

The Commission will publish a separate document in the Federal Register announcing the effective date of those rules upon OMB approval.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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