

154(i), 154(j), 201–204, 214, 220(a), 251, 252, 271, 272, and 303(r).

Total Annual Burden: 300 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: N/A.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:

The Commission anticipates that the Bell Operating Companies (BOCs) which are AT&T, Quest and Verizon, may request confidentiality protection for the special access performance information.

Needs and Uses: The Commission will submit this information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain the full three year clearance from them. The Commission is requesting OMB approval for a revision of this information collection.

The Commission previously adopted two new information collection requirements that received OMB approval. The monthly usage information requirement has expired, pursuant to the terms of the Section 272 Sunset Order. The burden for the monthly reporting requirement has been eliminated and we now seek continued OMB approval for the special access performance metric information requirement (quarterly reporting requirement) will be extended (continued).

The Commission has established a new framework to govern the provision of in-region, long-distance services that allows the BOCs to provide in-region, interstate, long distance services either directly or through affiliates that are neither section 272 separate affiliates nor rule 64.1903 affiliates, see Section 272 Sunset Order, FCC 07–159. Because the BOCs are no longer required to comply with the section 272 structural safeguards, the Commission established special access performance metrics reporting requirements, *i.e.*, ordering, provisioning, and repair and maintenance to ensure that the BOCs and their independent incumbent LEC affiliates do not engage in non-price discrimination in the provision of special access services to unaffiliated entities.

The information gleaned from these performance metrics will provide the Commission and other interested parties with reasonable tools to monitor each BOC's performance in providing these special access services to itself and its competitors.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission (FCC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, 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 (PRA) of 1995. 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; (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; and (e) ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC 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 PRA that does not display a valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before September 12, 2011. 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: Submit your PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, via fax at 202–395–5167 or via Internet at Nicholas_A.Fraser@omb.eop.gov and to Paul Laurenzano, FCC, via e-mail PRA@fcc.gov and to Paul.Laurenzano@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Paul Laurenzano at (202) 418–1359.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060–0770.

Title: Sections 61.49 and 69.4, Price Cap Performance Review for Local Exchange Carriers, FCC 99–206 (New Services).

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 21 respondents; 21 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement.

Obligation To Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Total Annual Burden: 210 hours.

Annual Cost Burden: \$17,115.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality. The Commission is not requesting that the respondents submit confidential information to the FCC. However, respondents who wish to request confidential treatment of the information they believe to be confidential, may do so under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

Needs and Uses: This collection will be submitted as an extension (no change in reporting requirements) after this 60 day comment period to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain the full three year clearance. In the Fifth Report and Order in FCC 99–206, the Commission permitted price cap local exchange carriers (LECs) to introduce new services on a streamlined basis, without prior approval. The Commission adopted rules to eliminate the public interest showing required by section 69.4(g) and eliminated the new services test (except in the case of loop-based new services) required under sections 69.49(f) and (g). These modifications eliminated delays that existed for the introduction of new services as well as encouraging efficient investment and innovation. The information is used by the Commission to determine whether this is in the public interest for the incumbent LEC to offer a proposed new switched access service.

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