information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before October 13, 2023. 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.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) 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 OMB control number.

OMB Control Number: 3060-1070.

Title: Allocation and Service Rules for the 71–76 GHz, 81–86 GHz, and 92–95 GHz Bands.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; not-for-profit institutions; and State, local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 317 respondents; 8,205 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 1.5 to 5.35 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement, recordkeeping requirement, and third-party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 154(i), 303(f) and (c), 309, 316, and 332 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 5,677 hours.

Total Annual Cost: $200,000.

Needs and Uses: The Commission is seeking an extension of this information collection in order to obtain the full three-year approval from OMB. There are no program changes to the reporting, recordkeeping and/or third-party disclosure requirements, but we are revising estimates based on the reduction of database managers, and the increased of renewals of the nationwide licensees. The recordkeeping, reporting, and third-party disclosure requirements will be used by the Commission to verify licensee compliance with the Commission rules and regulations, and to ensure that licensees continue to fulfill their statutory responsibilities in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934. The Commission’s rules promote the private sector development and use of 71–76 GHz, 81–86 GHz, and 92–95 GHz bands (70/80/90 GHz bands). Such information has been used in the past and will continue to be used to minimize interference, verify that applicants are legally and technically qualified to hold license, and to determine compliance with Commission rules.

Federal Communications Commission.

Katura Jackson,
Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[FR ID: 162423]

Privacy Act of 1974; Matching Program

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of a new matching program.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended ("Privacy Act"), this document announces a new computer matching program the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission" or "Agency") and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) will conduct with the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services. The purpose of this matching program is to verify the eligibility of applicants to and subscribers of Lifeline, and the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), both of which are administered by USAC under the direction of the FCC. More information about these programs is provided in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section below.

DATES: Written comments are due on or before September 13, 2023. This computer matching program will commence on September 13, 2023, and will conclude 18 months after the effective date.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The Lifeline program provides support for discounted broadband and voice services to low-income consumers. Lifeline is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) under FCC direction. Consumers qualify for Lifeline through proof of income or participation in a qualifying program, such as Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP), Federal Public Housing Assistance, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Veterans and Survivors Pension Benefit, or various Tribal-specific federal assistance programs.

In the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Public Law 116–260, 134 stat. 1182, 2129–36 (2020), Congress created the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program, and directed use of the National Verifier to determine eligibility based on various criteria, including the qualifications for Lifeline (Medicaid, SNAP, etc.). EBBP provided $3.2 billion in monthly consumer discounts for broadband service and one-time provider reimbursement for a connected device (laptop, desktop computer or tablet). In the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117–58, 135 stat. 429, 1238–44 (2021) (codified at 47 U.S.C. 1751–52), Congress modified and extended EBBP, provided an additional $14.2 billion, and renamed it the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP). A household may qualify for the ACP benefit under various criteria, including an individual qualifying for the FCC’s Lifeline program.

In a Report and Order adopted on March 31, 2016, (81 FR 33026, May 24, 2016) (2016 Lifeline Modernization Order), the Commission ordered USAC to create a National Lifeline Eligibility Verifier ("National Verifier"), including the National Lifeline Eligibility Database (LED), that would match data about Lifeline applicants and subscribers with other data sources to verify the eligibility of an applicant or subscriber. The Commission found that the National Verifier would reduce compliance costs for Lifeline service providers, improve service for Lifeline subscribers, and reduce waste, fraud, and abuse in the program.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 directs the FCC to leverage the National Verifier to verify applicants’ eligibility for ACP. The purpose of this matching program is to verify the eligibility of Lifeline and ACP applicants and subscribers by determining whether they receive SNAP and Medicaid benefits administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services.
Participating Agencies

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services.

Authority for Conducting the Matching Program


Purpose(s)

The purpose of this modified matching agreement is to verify the eligibility of applicants and subscribers to Lifeline, as well as to ACP and other Federal programs that use qualification for Lifeline as an eligibility criterion. This new agreement will permit eligibility verification for the Lifeline program and ACP by checking an applicant’s/subscriber’s participation in SNAP and Medicaid in Pennsylvania. Under FCC rules, consumers receiving these benefits qualify for Lifeline discounts and also for ACP benefits.

Categories of Individuals

The categories of individuals whose information is involved in the matching program include, but are not limited to, those individuals who have applied for Lifeline and/or ACP benefits; are currently receiving Lifeline and/or ACP benefits; are individuals who enable another individual in their household to qualify for Lifeline and/or ACP benefits; are minors whose status qualifies a parent or guardian for Lifeline and/or ACP benefits; or are individuals who have received Lifeline and/or ACP benefits.

Categories of Records

The categories of records involved in the matching program include, but are not limited to, the last four digits of the applicant’s Social Security Number, date of birth, and first and last name. The National Verifier will transfer these data elements to the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, which will respond either “yes” or “no” that the individual is enrolled in a qualifying assistance program: SNAP and Medicaid administered by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services.

System(s) of Records

The records shared as part of this matching program reside in the Lifeline system of records, FCC/WCB–1, Lifeline, which was published in the Federal Register at 86 FR 11526 (Feb. 25, 2021). The records shared as part of this matching program reside in the ACP system of records, FCC/WCB–3, Affordable Connectivity Program, which was published in the Federal Register at 86 FR 71494 (Dec. 16, 2021). Federal Communications Commission.

Katura Jackson,
Federal Register Liaison Officer.
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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

[Docket No. 23–07]


Notice is given that a complaint has been filed with the Federal Maritime Commission (“Commission”) by TIR AUTO TRANSPORT LLC (the “Complainant”) against V&S BROTHERS INC and V&S CARGO INC (collectively, the “Respondents”). Complainant states that the Commission has jurisdiction over matters involving contracts for carriage of goods by sea under 46 U.S.C. 30701 and allegations asserted under the Shipping Act of 1984, as amended, 46 U.S.C. 40101 et seq. (the “Shipping Act”), and that this complaint is being filed seeking damages resulting from a violation of 46 U.S.C. 41102(c).

Complainant states that it is in the business of buying and shipping vehicles all over the world and has a principal place of business in Tiraspol, Moldova.

Complainant identifies Respondent V&S BROTHERS INC as a used-car dealer and freight forwarding non-vessel-operating common carrier with a principal place of business in Matawan, New Jersey. Complainant identifies Respondent V&S CARGO INC as a non-vessel-operating common carrier and a corporation registered in the State of New Jersey with a principal place of business in Matawan, New Jersey.

Complainant alleges that Respondents violated 46 U.S.C. 41102(c) regarding a failure to establish, observe, and enforce just and reasonable regulations and practices relating to or connected with receiving, handling, storing, or delivering property. Complainant alleges this violation arose from the shipment of containers to a different location than instructed, the inflation of invoices and conditioning the release of cargo on the payment of such invoice, generally conditioning the release of cargo on the payment of unrelated debt, the failure to release cargo that was fully paid for resulting in an increase in demurrage charges, and the failure to provide a timely, accurate, and compete accounting.

An answer to the complaint must be filed with the Commission within twenty-five (25) days after the date of service.

The full text of the complaint can be found in the Commission’s electronic Reading Room at https://www2.fmc.gov/readingroom/proceeding/23-07/. This proceeding has been assigned to the Office of Administrative Law Judges. The initial decision of the presiding judge shall be issued by August 8, 2024, and the final decision of the Commission shall be issued by February 20, 2025.

William Cody,
Secretary.
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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Notice of Proposals To Engage in or To Acquire Companies Engaged in Permissible Nonbanking Activities

The companies listed in this notice have given notice under section 4 of the Bank Holding Company Act (12 U.S.C. 1843) (BHCA Act) and Regulation Y, (12 CFR part 225) to engage de novo, or to acquire or control voting securities or assets of a company, including the companies listed below, that engages either directly or through a subsidiary or other company, in a nonbanking activity that is listed in § 225.28 of Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.28) or that the Board has determined by Order to be closely related to banking and permissible for bank holding companies. Unless otherwise noted, these activities will be conducted throughout the United States.

The public portions of the applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, if any, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank(s) indicated below and at the offices of the Board of Governors. This information may also be obtained on an expedited basis, upon request, by contacting the appropriate Federal