

incorporate requirements specifically set forth in law” (emphasis added)). UMR section 102 defines “regulation” by reference to section 658 of Title 2 of the U.S. Code, which in turn defines “regulation” and “rule” by reference to section 601(2) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA). That section of the RFA defines “rule” as “any rule for which the agency publishes a notice of proposed rulemaking pursuant to section 553(b) of [the Administrative Procedure Act (APA)], or any other law * * *.”

NPDES general permits are not “rules” under the APA and thus not subject to the APA requirement to publish a notice of proposed rulemaking. NPDES general permits are also not subject to such a requirement under the CWA. While EPA publishes a notice to solicit public comment on draft general permits, it does so pursuant to the CWA section 402(a) requirement to provide “an opportunity for a hearing.” Thus, NPDES general permits are not “rules” for RFA or UMRA purposes.

EPA thinks it is unlikely that this proposed permit issuance would contain a Federal requirement that might result in expenditures of \$100 million or more for State, local and tribal governments, in the aggregate, or the private sector in any one year.

The Agency also believes that the proposed permit issuance would not significantly nor uniquely affect small governments. For UMRA purposes, “small governments” is defined by reference to the definition of “small governmental jurisdiction” under the RFA. (See UMRA section 102(1), referencing 2 U.S.C. 658, which references section 601(5) of the RFA.) “Small governmental jurisdiction” means governments of cities, counties, towns, etc., with a population of less than 50,000, unless the agency establishes an alternative definition.

The proposed permit issuance also would not uniquely affect small governments because compliance with the proposed permit conditions affects small governments in the same manner as any other entities seeking coverage under the permit.

G. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, requires that EPA prepare a regulatory flexibility analysis for regulations that have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. Compliance with the permit requirements will not result in a significant impact on dischargers, including small businesses, covered by these permits. EPA Region 6 therefore

concludes that the permits proposed today will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Dated: July 29, 1998.

William B. Hathaway,
Director, Water Quality Protection Division,
EPA Region 6.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

July 29, 1998.

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: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments October 5, 1998. 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: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to lesmith@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the

information collections contact Les Smith at 202-418-0217 or via internet at lesmith@fcc.gov.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0062

Title: Application for Authorization to Construct New or Make Changes In an Instructional Television Fixed and/or Response Station(s), or to Assign or Transfer Such Station(s)

Form Number: FCC 330

Type of Review: Revision of currently approved collection

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions, state, local or tribal government

Number of Respondents: 500

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 hours (1 hour/respondent; 6 hours/contract engineer; 3 hours/contract attorney)

Total Annual Burden: 500 hours

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements.

Estimated Cost to Respondents: \$675,000

Needs and Uses: FCC Form 330 is used to apply for authority to construct a new or make changes in an Instructional Television Fixed or response station and low power relay station, or for consent to license assignment or transfer of control.

The Commission has revised the FCC Form 330 to facilitate electronic application processing by replacing narrative exhibits with a series of “yes/no” questions.

The data are used by FCC staff to determine if the applicant meets basic statutory requirements and is qualified to become a licensee of the Commission.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

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, Comments Requested

July 29, 1998

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 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: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments October 5, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commissions, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to lesmith@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at 202-418-0217 or via internet at lesmith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0661.

Title: Section 21.931, Partitioning of BTAs.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Time Per Response: 7 hours (1 hour/respondent; 4 hours/contract attorney; 2 hours/contract engineer).

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 10 hours.

Cost to Respondents: \$11,000.

Needs and Uses: Section 21.931 permits a Basic Trading Area (BTA) to enter into contracts with eligible parties to partition any contiguous portion of its service area. Under Section 21.931 (a) (2), applicants are required to submit partitioning contracts with the Commission within 30 days of the date the contracts are reached. These contracts will be submitted with one of the following: (1) an MDS long-form application; (2) an application for assignment or transfer; or (3) a statement of intention. These collections have

separate OMB control numbers. These partitioning contracts will facilitate the development of successful wireless cable systems in rural areas and will make the most efficient use of the available spectrum. The contracts designate the specific geopolitical boundaries used to partition the BTA. The Commission will apply the same MDS technical rules to partitioned service areas.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2286]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceeding

July 28, 1998.

Petitions for reconsideration and clarification have been filed in the Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of these documents are available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street NW., Washington, DC or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc., (202) 857-3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed August 20, 1998. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rule (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions has expired.

Subject:

Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules To Provide for the Use of the 220-222 MHz Band by the Private Land Mobile Radio Service (PR Docket No. 89-552, RM-8506).

Implementation of Section 3(n) and 332 of the Communications Act (GN Docket No. 93-252).

Regulatory Treatment of Mobile Services.

Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding, 220-222 MHz (PP Docket No. 93-253).

Number of Petitions Filed: 3.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Security for the Protection of the Public Financial Responsibility To Meet Liability Incurred for Death or Injury to Passengers or Other Persons on Voyages; Notice of Issuance of Certificate (Casualty)

Notice is hereby given that the following have been issued a Certificate of Financial Responsibility to Meet Liability Incurred for Death or Injury to Passengers or Other Persons on Voyages pursuant to the provisions of Section 2, Pub. L. 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 817(d)) and the Federal Maritime Commission's implementing regulations at 46 CFR Part 540, as amended:

American Canadian Caribbean Line, Inc. and M.P. Leasing Corporation, 461 Water Street, Warren, RI 02885

Vessel: Grande Mariner.

Corporation Ferries del Caribe, Inc., International Shipping Partners, Inc. and St. Thomas Cruises Limited, Calle Concordia, # 249, Altos Mayaguez, Puerto Rico 00680

Vessel: Regal Voyager.

Cunard Line Limited and Cunard White Star Ltd., 6100 Blue Lagoon Drive, # 400, Miami, FL 33126

Vessel: QUEEN ELIZABETH 2, ROYAL VIKING SUN, SEA GODDESS I, SEA GODDESS II and VISTAFJORD

Disney Cruise Vacations, Inc., Magical Cruise Company, Limited (d/b/a Disney Cruise Line) and DCL Management Ltd., 20 Celebration Place, Suite 400, Celebration, FL 34747-4600

Vessel: Disney Magic.

Ivaran Lines Limited and Ivarans Rederi ASA, Newport Financial Center, 111 Pavonia Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07310-1755

Vessel: Americana.

New Commodore Cruise Lines Limited, Capri Cruises, Isle of Capri Casino Corporation, Commodore Cruises Limited, Cruise Charter, Ltd., Silvercone Holdings Limited and Norsong Shipping, Ltd., 4000 Hollywood Blvd., # 385, Hollywood, FL 33021

Vessel: Enchanted Capri.

Princess Cruises, Inc., Princess Cruise Lines, Inc. and The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, 10100 Santa Monica Blvd., # 1800, Los Angeles, CA 90067

Vessel: Crown Princess and Regal Princess.

Princess Cruises, Inc., Princess Cruise Lines, Inc., The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company and COROT Shipping Corporation (Sociedade Unipessoal) Lda., 10100