

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission, Comments Requested**

November 14, 2003.

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 No. 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 January 26, 2004. 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 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0849
Title: Commercial Availability of Navigation Devices, CS Docket No. 97-80

Form Number: N/A

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Individuals or households

Number of Respondents: 215

Estimated Time per Response: 10 mins. to 40 hrs.

Frequency of Response: Quarterly and semi-annual reporting requirements; Third Party Disclosure

Total Annual Burden: 3,416 hours

Total Annual Costs: \$33,450

Needs and Uses: On April 25, 2003 the FCC released an Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("Order and FNPRM"). In the Matter of Implementation of Section 304 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Commercial Availability of Navigation Devices, CS Docket No. 97-80, FCC 03-89. In this Order and FNPRM the Commission extends by eighteen months the existing 2005 deadline in Section 76.1204(a)(1) prohibiting the deployment of integrated navigation devices by multichannel video programming distributors in order to promote the retail sale of non-integrated host devices. This extension was granted in light of ongoing negotiations between the cable and consumer electronics industries that may affect the technical specifications relating to host devices and associated point-of-deployment modules. The Commission also committed to completing a reassessment of the upcoming ban on integrated devices, based in part upon the status of these negotiations, prior to January 1, 2005. In order to complete its assessment in a timely manner, the FCC has requested that the cable and consumer electronics industries file progress reports with the Commission on the status of their negotiations at 90, 180, and 270 day intervals following release of the Order and FNPRM. The proposed progress reports would be used as a partial basis to elicit public comment as a part of a rulemaking proceeding pursuant to the Order and FNPRM on the appropriateness of the new July 1, 2006 ban on integrated devices, based upon the status of these negotiations. This objective is commensurate with our statutory directive in Section 629 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to act "in consultation with appropriate industry standard-setting organizations" to assure the commercial availability of navigation devices used in conjunction with services provided by multichannel video programming distributors ("MVPDs").

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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DATES: Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before December 26, 2003. 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 regarding this Paperwork Reduction Act submission to Judith B. Herman, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington DC 20554 or via the Internet to Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judith B. Herman at 202-418-0214 or via the Internet at Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060-0798.

Title: FCC Application for Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Radio Service Authorization.

Form No: FCC Form 601.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, and state, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 250,520.

Estimated Time Per Response: .50-1.25 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion and every 10 year reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement, and third party disclosure requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 219,205 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$50,104,000.

Needs and Uses: FCC Form 601 is a multi-purpose form used to apply for an authorization to operate radio stations, amend pending applications, modify existing licenses and perform a variety of other miscellaneous tasks in the Public Mobile Services, Personal Communications Services, General Wireless Communications Services, Private Land Mobile Radio Services, Broadcast Auxiliary Services, Fixed Microwave Services, Maritime Services (excluding ships) and Aviation Services (excluding aircraft). The form has been revised to include the Instructional Television Fixed Service (ITFS) and the Multipoint Distribution Service (MDS) previously held in the Broadband Licensing System (BLS) as these services will be integrated into the Universal Licensing System (ULS).

OMB Control No.: 3060-0816.

Title: Local Competition and Broadband Reporting, CC Docket No. 99-301.

Form No: FCC Form 477.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 429 respondents; 858 responses.

Estimated Time Per Response: 11.4 hours.

Frequency of Response: Semi-annual reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 45,278 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: The FCC Form 477 seeks to gather information on the development of local competition and deployment of broadband service also known as advanced telecommunications services. The data are necessary to evaluate the status of developing competition in local exchange

telecommunications markets and to evaluate the status of broadband deployment. The information is used by Commission staff to advise the Commission about the efficacy of Commission rules and policies adopted to implement the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

OMB Control No.: 3060-0972.

Title: Multi-Association Group (MAG) Plan for Regulation of Interstate Services of Non-Price Cap Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers and Interexchange Carriers.

Form Nos: FCC Forms 507, 508, and 509.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 1,249 respondents; 7,594 responses.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1-93 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual reporting requirement and third party disclosure requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 31,923 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$45,000.

Needs and Uses: The Commission modified this collection by adding additional reporting requirements and eliminated reporting requirements that have been met or are no longer necessary. Specifically, the Commission aligned the interstate access rate structure more closely with the manner in which cost are incurred, and created a universal service support mechanism to replace implicit support in interstate access charges with explicit support that is portable to all eligible telecommunications carriers. The Commission also tailored to the needs of small and mid-sized local telephone companies serving rural and high-cost areas, and will help provide certainty and stability for rate-of-return carriers, encourage investment in rural America, and provide important consumer benefits.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060-0856.

Title: Universal Service—Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program Reimbursement Forms.

Form Nos.: FCC Forms 472, 473, and 474.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 31,800 respondents; 39,300 responses.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.5 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, annual and quarterly reporting