

Needs and Uses: This collection of information is contained in amendments to Part 63 and in the Report and Order adopting such amendments. This collection is necessary to determine whether, and under what conditions the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served by authorizing particular foreign carriers, or their U.S. affiliates, to provide international common carrier service between the United States and countries where these foreign carriers have market power. Second, the information collections in these amendments are necessary for the Commission to maintain effective oversight of U.S. carriers that are affiliated with, or involved in certain co-marketing or similar arrangements with foreign carriers and that have market power. The Order adopts a requirement that Section 214 applicants amend their pending applications to the extent they are inconsistent with the new rules. Applications pending as of the effective date of the new rules must be amended within thirty days of the effective date of the new rules. The information will be used by Commission staff in carrying out its duties under the Communications Act.

OMB Approval No.: 3060-0395.

Title: Automated Reporting and Management Information System (ARMIS)—Sections 43.21 and 43.22.

Form No.: FCC Reports 43-05, 43-07.

Type of Review: Revision and Extension.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 102.

Estimated Time per Response: 941 (avg.).

Total Annual Burden: 151,868.

Needs and Uses: The Commission requires that all price cap LECs and small and mid-sized LECs electing incentive regulation file Service Quality Reports. The Commission also requires that certain carriers file Infrastructure Reports. The purpose of these requirements is to enable the Commission to monitor service quality and infrastructure development in carriers under price cap or other incentive regulation.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0544.

Title: 47 CFR 76.701 Leased access channels.

Type of Review: Extension of approval.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit, individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 550.

Total Annual Burden: 4,854 hours.

Needs and Uses: Section 10(a) of the Cable Television Consumer Protection

and Competition Act of 1992, Pub.L. No. 102-385, permits cable operators to enforce voluntarily a written and published policy of prohibiting indecent programming on commercial leased access channels on their cable systems. Section 10(b) of the Act requires the Commission to adopt regulations that are designed to restrict access of children to indecent programming on leased access channels (that is not voluntarily prohibited under section 10(a) by requiring cable operators to place indecent leased access programming, as identified by program providers, on a "blocked" leased access channel. The various information collection, disclosure and recordkeeping requirements set forth in 47 CFR 76.701 protect cable operators against involuntarily transmitting indecent programming on leased access channels; and unknowingly transmitting indecent programming on leased access channels to children or adult subscribers without adult subscribers' consent.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0323.

Title: Section 97.527 Reimbursement for expenses.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of existing collection.

Respondents: Individuals, non-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 3,500.

Estimated Time Per Response: 12.167 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 42,585 hours.

Needs and Uses: Section 97.527 is needed to assure that Amateur Radio Service volunteer examiner coordinators and volunteer examiners do not collect reimbursement for other than necessary and prudent expenses. The coordinators or persons administering the examinations must keep records of their expenditures and certify annually to the FCC that all expenses for which they were reimbursed were necessarily and prudently incurred. If the information were not collected, it is conceivable that fraud and abuse could occur in the amateur volunteer examination program.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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Notice of Public Information Collections Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval, Comments Requested

December 14, 1995.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. 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 estimates; (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 comments should be submitted on or before February 21, 1996. 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 Dorothy Conway, Federal Communications, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to dconway@fcc.gov and Timothy Fain, OMB Desk Officer, 10236 NEOB 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503 or fain_t@a1.eop.gov.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 3060-0298.

Title: Tariffs (other than review plan) - Part 61.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit.

Number of Responses: 4,797.

Estimated Time Per Response: 203 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 972,423 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Communications Act requires that common carriers establish just and reasonable charges, practices, and

regulations for the service they provide. The local exchange carriers (LEC) schedules containing these charges, practices, and regulations must be filed with the Commission. Part 61 established the procedures for filing tariffs which contain the charges, practices, and regulations of common carriers. Implementation of a separate basket for LEC provided video dialtone service requires changes in the existing pricing rules to address requirement for this additional price cap basket. Video dialtone service differs sufficiently from basic telephony services in the other price cap baskets to warrant the creation of its own basket. Tariff filings to implement the separate video dialtone basket generally will be accompanied by the support required under the exiting price cap rules. This information is necessary to ensure that rates for service subject to the separate basket are just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory and comply with the Commission rules.

OMB Approval Number: New Collection.

Title: Abbreviated Cost of Service for Filing For Cable Network Upgrades.

Form No.: FCC 1235.

Type of Review: New Collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit; State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Number of Responses: 2,100 cable operators, and 525 local franchising authorities.

Estimated Time Per Response: 20 hours per cable operator response; and 10 hours per local franchising authority.

Total Annual Burden: 47,250 hours.

Needs and Uses: Section 76.922(h) enables cable operators in some circumstance to increase rates when undertaking significant network upgrades. This proposed form allows cable operators to justify rate increases related to capital expenditures used to improve services to regulated cable subscribers. Operators wishing to establish a network upgrade rate increase should file this form following the end of the month in which upgraded cable service becomes available and are providing benefits to the customers. In addition this form can be filed for pre-approval any time prior to the upgraded services becoming available to the subscribers using projected upgrade costs. If the pre-approval option is exercised the operator must file the form again following the end of the month in which upgraded cable services become available and are providing benefits to the customers.

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Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting 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, Public Law 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 817(d)) and the Federal Maritime Commission's implementing regulations at 46 CFR Part 540, as amended: Sun Line Cruises, Inc., Royal Olympic Cruises Ltd. and Caroline Shipping Inc., One Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 315, New York, New York 10020

Vessel: STELLA SOLARIS

Dated: January 16, 1996.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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Security for the Protection of the Public Indemnification of Passengers for Nonperformance of Transportation; Notice of Issuance of Certificate (Performance)

Notice is hereby given that the following have been issued a Certificate of Financial Responsibility for Indemnification of Passengers for Nonperformance of Transportation pursuant to the provisions of Section 3, Public Law 89-777 (46 U.S.C. 817(e)) and the Federal Maritime Commission's implementing regulations at 46 CFR Part 540, as amended:

Sun Line Cruises, Inc., Royal Olympic Cruises Ltd. and Caroline Shipping Inc., One Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 315, New York, New York 10020

Vessel: STELLA SOLARIS

Dated: January 16, 1996.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

[File No. 961 0017]

Praxair, Inc.; Proposed Consent Agreement With Analysis to Aid Public Comment

AGENCY: Federal Trade Commission.

ACTION: Proposed Consent Agreement.

SUMMARY: This Consent Agreement, accepted subject to final Commission approval, settles alleged violations of federal law prohibiting unfair or deceptive acts and practices and unfair methods of competition arising from the acquisition of CBI Industries, Inc. by Praxair, Inc. Under the terms of the proposed order contained in the Consent Agreement, Praxair, among other things, must divest all of the assets and businesses relating to four CBI plants that produce atmospheric gases—located in Vacaville, California; Irwindale, California; Bozrah, Connecticut; and Madison, Wisconsin—to an acquirer or acquirers approved by the Commission. If Praxair fails to divest these assets within 12 months after the order becomes final, a trustee may be appointed to divest the four plants. The Consent Agreement also requires Praxair to take all steps necessary to ensure that the plants to be divested continue as ongoing, viable and competitive operations, by complying with an Agreement to Hold Separate.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 22, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be directed to: FTC/Office of the Secretary, Room 159, 6th St. and Pa. Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

James H. Holden, Jr., FTC/S-2023, Washington, D.C. 20580 (202) 326-2682; or Christina Perez, FTC/S-2214, Washington, D.C. 20580 (202) 326-2682.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to Section 6(f) of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 38 Stat. 721, 15 U.S.C. 46, and Section 2.34 of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 2.34), notice is hereby given that the following consent agreement containing a consent order to cease and desist, having been filed with and accepted, subject to final approval, by the Commission, has been placed on the public record for a period of sixty (60) days. Public comment is invited. Such comments or views will be considered by the Commission and will be available for inspection and copying at its principal office in accordance with Section 4.9(b)(6)(ii) of the Commission's Rules of Practice (16 CFR 4.9(b)(6)(ii)).