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The proposed general permits and fact sheet may also be found on the EPA Region 10 Web site at <http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/water.htm>, click on Water Quality, then NPDES permits under Programs and draft permits under EPA Region 10 Information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Executive Order 12866: The Office of Management and Budget exempted this action from the review requirements of Executive Order 12866 pursuant to section 6 of that order.

Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA): Under the RFA, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, a federal agency must prepare an initial regulatory flexibility analysis "for any proposed rule" for which the agency "is required by section 553 of (the Administrative Procedure Act (APA)), or any other law, to publish general notice of proposed rulemaking." The RFA exempts from this requirement any rule that the issuing agency certifies "will not, if promulgated, have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities." EPA has concluded that NPDES general permits are permits under the APA and thus not subject to APA rulemaking requirements or the RFA.

Dated: September 10, 2003.

Robert R. Robichaud,

Acting Associate Director, Office of Water, Region 10, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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

September 17, 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 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 November 25, 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 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments 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.: 3060-0951.

Title: Service of Petitions for Preemption, 47 CFR 1.1204(b) Note, and 1.1206(a) Note 1.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business and other for-profit, individual or household, not-for-profit institutions and State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 125.

Estimated Time Per Response: .25 hours (15 minutes).

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting, and third party disclosure requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 30 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$0.

Needs and Uses: These provisions supplement the procedures for filing petitions seeking Commission preemption of state and local government regulation of telecommunications services. They require that such petitions, whether in the form of a petition for rulemaking or a petition for declaratory ruling, be served on all state and local governments. The actions for which are cited as a basis for requesting

preemption. Thus, in accordance with these provisions, persons seeking preemption must serve their petitions not only on the state or local government whose authority would be preempted, but also on other state or local governments whose actions are cited in the petition.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collection(s) Requirement Submitted to OMB for Emergency Review and Approval

September 17, 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 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: Written comments should be submitted on or before October 27, 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 contacts listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Kim A. Johnson, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-3562 or via Internet at

Kim A. Johnson@omb.eop.gov, and Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554 or via Internet to Leslie.Smith@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 Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has requested emergency OMB review of this collection with an approval by September 17, 2003.

OMB Control Number: 3060-1033.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Multi-Channel Video Program Distributor EEO Program Annual Report, FCC Form 396-C.

Form Number: FCC 396-C.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 2,200.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 mins. to 2.5 hrs.

Frequency of Response: Recordkeeping; Annual and five-year reporting requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 3,188 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Needs and Uses: On November 7, 2002, the FCC adopted a Second Report and Order and Third NPRM (Second R&O), MM Docket No. 98-204, FCC 02-303, 68 FR 670 (2003), which established new EEO rules and forms to comply with the court's decision in *MD/DC/DE Broadcasters Association v. FCC*. The new EEO rules ensure equal employment opportunity in the broadcast and multi-channel video program distribution (MVPD) industries through outreach to the community in recruitment and prevention of employment discrimination. In addition, the Second R&O combined previous FCC Forms 395-A and 395-M, which requested substantially the same information. The FCC adopted new Form 396-C, which is substantially the same as those portions of FCC 395-A and 395-M that sought data about the MVPD's compliance with EEO program requirements, but it omits those portions of the prior forms that sought workforce data. All MVPDs with six or more full-time employees must file an EEO report annually in the public file detailing their outreach efforts and the results for the prior year, as part of the in-depth MVPD investigation conducted once every five years. Emergency approval is needed for this form because it is due to be filed by September 30, 2003, and the FCC needs OMB approval before that date to allow time for the

Commission to post a public notice announcing OMB approval and to give filers time to file, as well as to enable the **Federal Register** time to publish this notice by September 23, 2003.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Information Collection(s) Requirement Submitted to OMB for Emergency Review and Approval

September 16, 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 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: Written comments should be submitted on or before October 27, 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 contacts listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Kim A. Johnson, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-3562 or via Internet at Kim.A.Johnson@omb.eop.gov, and Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th

Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via Internet to Leslie.Smith@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 Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has requested emergency OMB review of this collection with an approval by September 16, 2003.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0027.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: Application for Construction Permit for Commercial Broadcast Station, FCC Form 301.

Form Number: FCC 301.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 3,370.

Estimated Time Per Response: 37 to 121 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion requirements; Third party disclosure.

Total Annual Burden: 7,427 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$35,485,300.

Needs and Uses: On September 3, 2003, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit issued an Order staying the effectiveness of the new media ownership rules adopted by the Commission on June 2, 2003. (*Report and Order*, MB Docket 02-277 and MM Dockets 01-235, 01-317, and 00-244, and *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, In *The Matter of 2002 Biennial Regulatory Review—Review of the Commission's Broadcast Ownership Rules and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*.) 68 FR 46285, August 5, 2003. The Court ordered "that the prior ownership rules remain in effect pending resolution of these proceedings." *Prometheus Radio Project v. FCC*, No. 03-3388 (3d Cir. Sept. 3, 2003) (per curiam). The Court's *Order* requires that the Commission process broadcast station applications under the prior ownership rules. Because FCC Form 301 (June 2002) was supposed to have expired in August 2003 but was superseded by the July 2003 version, we are now requesting immediate reactivation of the previously approved version of this form.

FCC Form 301 is used to apply for authority to construct a new commercial AM, FM, or TV broadcast station, or to make changes in existing facilities of such a station. In addition, FM licensees or permittees may request, by application on FCC Form 301, upgrades on adjacent and co-channels, modifications to adjacent channels of the same class and downgrades to