

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority

January 26, 2005.

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 April 4, 2005. 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 Cathy Williams, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C823, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov.

For Further Information Contact: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918 or via the Internet at Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov.

Supplementary Information:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0841.

Title: Public Notice—Additional Processing Guidelines for DTV (Nonchecklist applications).

Form Number: FCC Forms 301 and 340.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 900 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$1,080,000.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: The Commission released a Public Notice on August 10, 1998, that explained how "nonchecklist" applications (*i.e.*, applications that do not conform to certain criteria to enable "fast-track processing") would be processed for Digital Television (DTV) station construction permits. This public notice explained what should be included in engineering showings and other types of application exhibits and cover letters.

This public notice for "nonchecklist" applications should help to resolve processing uncertainties, enable the preparation of complete and quality applications, and hasten the authorization of DTV service. The FCC staff will use this data to ensure that interference to other DTV and NTSC (analog TV) stations is minimized.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

January 25, 2005.

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

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Dates: Written comments should be submitted on or before March 4, 2005. 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 Cathy Williams, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C823, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov or Kristy L. LaLonde, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-3087 or via the Internet at Kristy.L.LaLonde@omb.eop.gov.

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Supplementary Information:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0287.

Title: Section 78.69, Station Records.

Form Number: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents: 1,400.

Estimated Time Per Response: 0.5 hours per week (26 hours per year).

Frequency of Response: Recordkeeping requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 36,400 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: 47 CFR Section 78.69 requires that licensees of Cable Television Relay Stations maintain various records, including but not limited to records pertaining to transmissions, unscheduled interruptions to transmissions, maintenance, observations, inspections and repairs. All stations are required to keep station records in an orderly and legible manner by the person or persons competent to do so. Section 78.69

requires that no station record or portion of the record can be erased, obliterated, or willfully destroyed within the period of retention required. Station records are required to be maintained for a period of not less than two years. The records kept pursuant to Section 78.69 provide for a history of station operations and are reviewed by Commission staff during field investigations to ensure that proper operation of the stations is being conducted.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0652.

Title: Section 76.309, Customer Service Obligations; Section 76.1602, Customer Service—General Information; Section 76.1603, Customer Service—Rate and Service Changes, and Section 76.1619, Information on Subscriber Bills.

Form Number: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 8,260.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes to 1.0 hour.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 29,235 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: 47 CFR Section 76.1602 states that franchise authorities must provide affected operators 90 days written notice of its intent to enforce customer service standards. 47 CFR Sections 76.1603 and 76.309 set forth various customer service obligations and notification requirements for changes in rates, programming services and channel positions. In addition, Sections 76.1603 states that cable operators shall provide written information on each of the following areas at the time of installation of service, at least annually to all subscribers, and at any time upon request: (1) Products and services offered; (2) prices and options for programming services and conditions of subscription to programming and other services; (3) installation and service maintenance policies; (4) instructions on how to use the cable service; (5) channel positions programming carried on the system; and (6) billing complaint procedures, including the address and telephone number of the local franchise authority's cable office. Section 76.1603 states that customers will be notified of any changes in rates, programming services or channel positions as soon as

possible in writing. Notice must be given to subscribers a minimum of thirty (30) days in advance of such changes if the change is within the control of the cable operator. In addition, the cable operator shall notify subscribers 30 days in advance of any significant changes in the other information required by section 76.1603. Section 76.1603 states that in addition to the requirements regarding advanced notification to customers of any changes in rates, programming services or channel positions, cable systems shall give 30 days written notice to both subscribers and local franchising authorities before implementing any rate or service change. Such notice shall state the precise amount of any rate change and briefly explain in readily understandable fashion the cause of the rate change (e.g. inflation, changes in external costs or the addition/deletion of channels). When the change involves the addition or deletion of channels, each channel added or deleted must be separately identified. Notices to subscribers shall inform them of their right to file complaints about changes in cable programming service tier rates and services, shall state that the subscriber may file the complaint within 90 days of the effective date of the rate change, and shall provide the address and phone number of the local franchising authority. 47 CFR Section 76.1619 states that in case of a billing dispute, the cable operator must respond to a written complaint from a subscriber within 30 days. The Commission requires the various disclosure and notifications contained in this collection as a means of consumer protection to ensure that subscribers and franchising authorities are knowledgeable of cable operators' business practices, current rates, rate changes for programming service and equipment, and channel line-up changes.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0667.

Title: Section 76.630, Compatibility With Consumer Electronics Equipment; Section 76.1621, Equipment Compatibility Offer; Section 76.1622, Consumer Education of Equipment Compatibility.

Form Number: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents: 8,250.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1-3 hours.

Frequency of Response: Recordkeeping requirement; On occasion reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 16,505 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$5,800.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: On March 14, 2002, the Commission released an *Order*, In the Matter of Establishment of the Media Bureau and Other Organizational Changes, DA 02-577, which amended 47 CFR Section 76.630, 76.1621 and 76.1622 to reflect the reorganization of the existing Cable Services and Mass Media Bureaus into a new Media Bureau. 47 CFR Section 76.630(a) states that cable system operators shall not scramble otherwise encrypt signals carried on the basic service tier, though operators may file request for waivers of this prohibition with the Commission. When filing requests for waivers of this prohibition, operators must notify subscribers by mail of waiver requests. 47 CFR Section 76.1621 of the Commission's rules requires cable system operators that use scrambling or encryption equipment to provide subscribers special equipment that will enable the reception of multiple signals. The equipment offered shall include a single terminal device with dual descramblers/decoders and/or timers and bypass switches. 47 CFR Section 76.1622 requires cable system operators to provide in writing a consumer education program concerning equipment compatibility. The Commission has set forth these disclosure requirements for consumer protection purposes to inform subscribers of compatibility matters, and notify subscribers of cable operator requests to waive the prohibition on signal encryption.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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