

can continue to collect the necessary information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. There is no change to this collection. The Commission is extending the current Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the next three years.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 99-2674]

Responsible Accounting Officer— Letter 28—Re: Auditor Independence and Objectivity

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice; announcement of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: This document discusses the importance of independence and objectivity in the performance of audit work required by the Commission and adopts, as modified for Commission purposes, *Standard No. 1* of the Independence Standards Board, which requires auditors to disclose and discuss potential independence problems.

DATES: Effective May 19, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Stone, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau, (202) 418-0816.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 1, 1999 the Common Carrier Bureau, Accounting and Audits Division adopted and released a Responsible Accounting Officer (RAO) Letter 28, Re: Auditor Independence and Objectivity, a summary of which was published in the **Federal Register**. See 64 FR 71785 (December 22, 1999). In that document we address the independence implications for the new consulting and advocacy services provided by auditors. In that document the Commission establishes the following standard based on Independence Standards Board's *Standard No. 1*. For independent audits performed pursuant to part 32 and § 64.901 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules (including audits, attest examinations, agreed-upon procedures engagements, and any other engagement required by independent auditors), the auditor shall at least annually: (a) Disclose to the Accounting Safeguards Division (ASD) of the Common Carrier Bureau in writing all relationships

between the auditor and its related entities and the carrier and its related entities that in the auditor's professional judgment may reasonably be thought to bear on independence; (b) confirm in writing to ASD that in its professional judgment it is independent of the carrier; and (c) discuss the auditor's independence with ASD.

We stated that "because items in the RAO letter pertain to the collection of information, Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the proposed collection is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act, members of the public are not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor a collection, unless the information collection contains a currently valid OMB control number. Accordingly, independent auditors will not be required to comply with this RAO until OMB has given such approval. ASD will notify the public when OMB has approved the proposed information collection." The information collection was approved by OMB on May 19, 2000. See OMB No. 3060-0927. This publication satisfies our statement that the Commission would publish a document announcing OMB approval of proposed information collection.

Federal Communications Commission.

Kenneth P. Moran,

*Chief, Accounting Safeguards Division,
Common Carrier Bureau.*

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 00-971]

Annual Adjustment of Revenue Threshold

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the 1999 revenue threshold used for classifying carriers for various accounting and reporting purposes is increased to \$114 million. Section 402(c) of the 1996 Act mandates that the Commission adjust the revenue threshold annually to reflect the effect of inflation.

DATES: The agency must receive comments on or before September 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445-12th Street, SW,

Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Debbie Weber, Accounting Systems Branch, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau at (202) 418-0812.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This gives notice that the revenue threshold used for classifying carriers for various accounting and reporting purposes is increased to \$114 million. Section 402(c) of the 1996 Act mandates that we "adjust the revenue requirements" of Sections 32.11, 43.21, 43.43 and 64.903 of our rules "to account for inflation as of the release date of the Commission's Report and Order in CC Docket No. 91-141, and annually thereafter." Prior to passage of the 1996 Act, our rules established a \$100 million threshold to classify carriers for accounting purposes in Section 32.11, for filing cost allocation manuals in Section 64.903, and for filing certain reports with the Commission in Part 43.

In accordance with the 1996 Act, the Commission adjusts the revenue threshold based on the ratio of the Gross Domestic Product Chain-type Price Index (GDPPI) in the revenue year and the GDPPI for 1992, rounded to the nearest \$1 million. The 1999 indexed revenue threshold was calculated as follows:

(1) 1992 GDPPI	91.62
(2) 1999 GDPPI	104.57
(3) Inflation Factor (line 2 / line 1)	1.1413
(4) Original Revenue Threshold ...	¹ \$100
(5) 1999 Revenue Threshold (line 3 * line 4)	¹ \$114 Million.

Accordingly, the 1999 indexed revenue threshold is \$114 million.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 10:19 a.m. on Tuesday, June 6, 2000, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's corporate, supervisory, and resolution activities.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Director Ellen S. Seidman (Director, Office of Thrift

Supervision), seconded by Vice Chairman Andrew C. Hove, Jr., concurred in by Director John D. Hawke, Jr. (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Donna Tanoue, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters on less than seven days' notice to the public; that no notice earlier than June 3, 2000, of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(2), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), and (c)(9)(B) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(2), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), and (c)(9)(B)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550—17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Dated: June 6, 2000.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

James D. LaPierre,

Deputy Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Federal Election Commission.

DATE & TIME: Tuesday, June 13, 2000, at 10 a.m.

PLACE: 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

STATUS: This Meeting will be closed to the public.

ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. § 437g, § 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C. Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration. Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATE & TIME: Thursday, June 15, 2000 at 10 a.m. Meeting open to the public.

This meeting was canceled.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Mr. Ron Harris, Press Officer,
Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Mary W. Dove,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments on the National Fire Academy (NFA) Course Evaluation Form.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NFA is mandated under the Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-498) to provide training and education to the Nation's fire service and emergency service personnel. To maintain the quality of the training program and courses, it is necessary to evaluate them on an ongoing basis.

Collection of Information:

Title: National Fire Academy Course Evaluation Form.

Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 3067-0234.

Form Number: FEMA Form 95-20, National Fire Academy Course Evaluation Form.

Abstract: FEMA uses the National Fire Academy Course Evaluation Form to evaluate on-campus courses delivered at the NFA facility, located in Emmitsburg, Maryland. It is also used to evaluate regional courses, which are identical to the NFA resident courses, offered in selected regions to students unable to travel to the Emmitsburg campus for the resident offering of the course. The data provided by students evaluating an NFA course are used to determine the need for course improvements and the degree of student satisfaction with the course experience.

Affected Public: Individuals participating in NFA on-campus or regional courses.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,375.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,500.

Estimated Hour Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: The evaluation form is completed after completion of a course.

Estimated Cost: The estimated cost to the respondent is minimal.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Branch, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625, Facsimile number (202) 646-3524, or e-mail muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Polly Barnett-Birdsall, Instructional Systems Specialist, National Fire Academy at (301) 447-1228 for additional information. Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 for copies of the proposed collection of information.

Dated: May 24, 2000.

Mike Bozzelli,

Acting Director, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate.

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