

invites the general public to comment on the information collections contained in this MO&O as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Public and agency comments are due December 1, 2000. Comments should address: (a) Whether the new 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) 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. In addition to the burdens included in this submission, this decision also slightly modifies the PRA submission contained in OMB No. 3060-0910 by extending the date by which carriers must submit to the Commission, their plans for implementing Phase II from October 1, 2000, to November 9, 2000.

OMB Approval Number:

Title: Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems, Fourth MO&O.

Form No. N.A.

Type of Review: New information collection.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 2,500.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 7,500 hours.

Cost to Respondents: .0.

Needs and Uses: The information required to be included in a successful request for waiver of the E911 Phase II requirements will be used to assist the Commission in judging whether the request has merit.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 20

Communications common carrier, Communications equipment, Radio. Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

Rule Changes

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 47 CFR part 20 as follows:

PART 20—COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICES

1. The authority citation for part 20 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 160, 251-254, 303, and 332 unless otherwise noted.

2. Section 20.18 is amended by revising paragraphs (g)(1), (g)(2), and (i) to read as follows:

§ 20.18 911 Service.

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(g) *Phase-in for Handset-based Location Technologies.* Licensees subject to this section who employ a handset-based location technology may phase in deployment of Phase II enhanced 911 service, subject to the following requirements:

(1) Without respect to any PSAP request for deployment of Phase II 911 enhanced service, the licensee shall:

(i) Begin selling and activating location-capable handsets no later than October 1, 2001;

(ii) Ensure that at least 25 percent of all new handsets activated are location-capable no later than December 31, 2001;

(iii) Ensure that at least 50 percent of all new handsets activated are location-capable no later than June 30, 2002; and

(iv) Ensure that 100 percent of all new digital handsets activated are location-capable no later than December 31, 2002, and thereafter.

(v) By December 31, 2005, achieve 95 percent penetration of location-capable handsets among its subscribers.

(2) Once a PSAP request is received, the licensee shall, in the area served by the PSAP, within six months or by October 1, 2001, whichever is later:

(i) Install any hardware and/or software in the CMRS network and/or other fixed infrastructure, as needed, to enable the provision of Phase II enhanced 911 service; and

(ii) Begin delivering Phase II enhanced 911 service to the PSAP.

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(i) *Reports on Phase II plans.* Licensees subject to this section shall report to the Commission their plans for implementing Phase II enhanced 911 service, including the location-determination technology they plan to employ and the procedure they intend to use to verify conformance with the Phase II accuracy requirements by November 9, 2000. Licensees are required to update these plans within thirty days of the adoption of any change. These reports and updates may be filed electronically in a manner to be designated by the Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 32 and 64

[CC Docket No. 99-253; FCC 00-78]

Comprehensive Review of the Accounting Requirements and ARMIS Reporting Requirements for Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier: Phase 1

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; announcement of effective date.

SUMMARY: This document announces the effective date of the rules and information collections of the Comprehensive Review of the Accounting Requirements and ARMIS Reporting Requirements for Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier: Phase 1 Report and Order adopted March 2, 2000.

DATES: Effective September 28, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: JoAnn Lucanik, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau, at (202) 418-0873 or Mika Savir, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau, at (202) 418-0384.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 2, 2000, the Commission adopted the *Comprehensive Review of the Accounting Requirements and ARMIS Reporting Requirements for Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier: Phase 1 Report and Order*, 65 FR 16328 (March 28, 2000) in this Report and Order the Commission eliminates the expense matrix filing requirement; provides large ILECs the option to obtain a biennial attestation engagement to satisfy their CAM audit obligation; establishes a \$500,000 *de minimis* exception to the affiliate transactions fair market value estimate requirement; eliminates the 15-day pre-filing requirement for cost pool and time reporting procedures changes; eliminates the notification requirement for temporary or experimental accounts; eliminates the notification requirement for extraordinary items, contingent liabilities, and material prior period adjustments; eliminates the reclassification requirements for property in Account 2002; and eliminates the reclassification requirements for property in Account 2003. The Commission substantially streamlines the ARMIS 43-02 USOA Report and significantly reduced the reporting requirements for carriers. In 65 FR 16328 (March 28, 2000) The Commission stated that the Report and Order contained information collections that had not been approved by the

Office of Management and Budget (OMB). OMB approved the information collections (see OMB numbers 3060-0470 approved May 31, 2000; 3060-0370, 3060-0395, and 3060-0734 approved June 19, 2000; and 3060-0384 approved September 1, 2000). In 65 FR 16328 (March 28, 2000) we also stated that the Commission would publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of the rules. This publication satisfies our statement that the Commission would publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of the information collections and the new and/or modified sections of Parts 32 and 64 rules.

List of Subjects

47 CFR Part 32

Communications common carriers, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Telephone, Uniform System of Accounts.

47 CFR Part 64

Communications common carriers, Federal Communications Commission, Radio, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Telegraph, Telephone.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 54

[CC Docket No. 96-45; FCC 00-332]

Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service: Promoting Deployment and Subscribership in Unserved and Underserved Areas, Including Tribal and Insular Areas

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission stays, on its own motion, the implementation of recently adopted federal Lifeline and Link Up assistance rule amendments only to the extent that they apply to qualifying low-income consumers living near reservations.

DATES: Effective September 5, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Garnett, Attorney, Common Carrier Bureau, Accounting Policy Division, (202) 418-7400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Order

and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45 released on August 31, 2000. The full text of this document is available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

I. Introduction

1. In this Order, we stay, on our own motion, the implementation of recently adopted federal Lifeline and Link Up assistance rule amendments only to the extent that they apply to qualifying low-income consumers living near reservations. We emphasize that this Order does not affect the implementation of the enhanced Lifeline and Link Up support for qualifying low-income consumers living on reservations. Those rules are unaffected and became effective on schedule on September 5, 2000, as directed by the Commission. Finally, as described in greater detail below, we extend until September 22, 2000, the date by which carriers may file data in order to receive support during the calendar year 2000 for enhanced Lifeline and Link Up services provided during the fourth quarter 2000.

II. Discussion

2. Following the adoption of the definition of "tribal lands" in the *Twelfth Report and Order*, 65 FR 47941 (August 4, 2000), we became aware that the term "near reservation," as it is currently defined by the BIA, may include wide geographic areas that do not possess the characteristics that warranted the targeting of enhanced Lifeline and Link Up support to reservations, such as geographic isolation, high rates of poverty, and low telephone subscribership. Such an outcome may not further our goal, as described in the *Twelfth Report and Order*, of increasing telecommunications deployment and subscribership in the most historically isolated and underserved regions of our Nation. Therefore, on our own motion we stay the implementation of the above-described Lifeline and Link Up assistance rule amendments to the extent that they apply to qualifying low-income consumers located "near reservations," as that phrase is defined in section 20.1(r) of the BIA regulations. A notation is added to § 54.400(e) of the Commission's rules stating that we have stayed the implementation of enhanced Lifeline and Link Up support for eligible residents of tribal lands to the extent that such support applies to qualifying low-income consumers living "near" reservations. We do not stay the

application of enhanced Lifeline and Link Up programs to low-income individuals located on "reservations," including on lands conveyed pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

3. In the *Twelfth Report and Order*, we directed eligible carriers, interested in receiving enhanced Lifeline and Link Up support in the calendar year 2000 for services provided in the fourth quarter 2000, to submit to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) by September 1, 2000, a letter from a corporate officer of the carrier containing detailed information and certifications regarding their provision of services to qualifying low-income consumers. In this Order, we extend until September 22, 2000, the date by which carriers may file data regarding their provision of eligible services to qualifying low-income consumers living on reservations, as defined by the BIA.

III. Ordering Clauses

4. Pursuant to the authority contained in sections 1-4, 201-205, 254, 303(r), and 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and § 1.3 and § 1.429(k) of the Commission's rules, this Order is adopted.

5. Pursuant to sections 1 and 4(i) of the Communications Act, and § 1.3 and § 1.429(k) of the Commission's rules, the application of enhanced Lifeline and Link Up programs to qualified low-income consumers living near reservations is stayed pending further Commission action.

6. This order is effective upon release September 5, 2000.

7. The Commission's Consumer Information Bureau, Reference Information Center, shall send a copy of this Order, to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 54

Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Telecommunications, Telephone.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

Rule Changes

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 47 CFR part 54 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for part 54 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 1, 4(i), 201, 205, 214, and 254 unless otherwise noted.

2. A note is added to 47 CFR 54.400(e) to read as follows: