

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the Federal Communications Commission invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s). 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; (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; and (e) ways to further reduce the information burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB 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 OMB control number.

DATES: Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before September 2, 2014. If you anticipate that you will be submitting PRA comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to PRA@fcc.gov and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418–2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060–0484.
Title: Section 4.9, Part 4 of the Commission's Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities, not-for profit institutions.

Number of Respondents:

Approximately 1,100 respondents; 15,444 responses per year.

Estimated Time per Response: No more than 2.5 hours per occurrence.

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

Obligation to Respond: Mandatory. Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151, 154(i)–(j) & (o), 201(b), 214(d), 218, 251(e)(3), 301, 303(b), 303(g), 303(r), 307, 309(a), 316, 332, 403, 615a–1, and 615c.

Total Annual Burden: 29,870 hours.

Total Annual Cost: \$0.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impacts.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: Network Outage Reporting System (NORS) outage reports filed with the Commission pursuant to Part 4 of its rules are presumed confidential. The information in those filings may be shared with the Department of Homeland Security only under appropriate confidential disclosure provisions. Other persons seeking disclosure must follow the procedures delineated in 47 CFR 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules for requests for and disclosure of information. The revisions to this information collection require information to be transmitted to third parties, not to the FCC. Accordingly, the Commission cannot, and does not, guarantee confidentiality of information provided directly to public safety answering points (PSAPs). The revisions do not affect the confidential treatment of information provided directly to the FCC through NORS.

Needs and Uses: The Commission is seeking OMB approval for a revision of this information collection in order to obtain the full three year approval from OMB. The Commission is reporting a 223-hour increase in its previous annual burden estimates. The increase is due to adoption of FCC 13–158, a Report and Order establishing more specific outage notification obligations for Covered 911 Service Providers, which are the respondents subject to the revised requirements of this information collection.

Previous FCC rules required certain communications providers to notify PSAPs of 911 outages “as soon as possible” with “all available information that may be useful.” The

revisions to this information collection respond to the derecho storm that struck the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic United States in June 2012, causing significant disruptions in 911 service. Through its inquiry into these 911 outages, the Commission learned that many PSAPs' efforts to restore service were complicated by inadequate information and ineffective communication by 911 service providers. Consequently, the Commission amended section 4.9 of its rules to require more specific 911 outage notifications to PSAPs within specified time periods.

Under the new rule, Covered 911 Service Providers must notify PSAPs of outages that potentially affect 911 service within 30 minutes of discovering the outage and provide contact information such as a name, telephone number, and email for follow-up. Whenever additional material information becomes available, but no later than two hours after the initial contact, the Covered 911 Service Provider must communicate additional detail to the PSAP, including the nature of the outage, its best-known cause, the geographic scope of the outage, and the estimated time for repairs. Notifications must be transmitted by telephone and in writing via electronic means, unless the PSAP and service provider have agreed in advance to an alternative method. The new requirements apply only to entities defined as Covered 911 Service Providers under 47 CFR 12.4(a)(4), and outage reporting obligations for other entities remain unchanged.

The above revisions do not require information to be submitted to the FCC, but rather to third parties (*i.e.*, PSAPs and other “911 special facilities”) that experience 911 outages. While the amended rule will not result in new or different information submitted to the Commission, it will require Covered 911 Service Providers to transmit more specific information to PSAPs to improve their situational awareness and ability to respond to 911 outages. Such notifications are necessary because PSAP personnel depend on reliable 911 service to answer emergency calls and dispatch help when needed. When 911 service is compromised, PSAPs require prompt notification and useful information about the outage so that they may make alternate plans to reroute calls until service is restored. Many Covered 911 Service Providers indicate that they already collect the required outage information for internal use, and for submission to the FCC through required NORS reports. Therefore, the obligation to provide more specific outage notifications to PSAPs will not generally require

collection of new or different information, only a more consistent effort to ensure that transmission of such information is timely and complete. These revisions do not affect the obligation to submit NORS outage reports to the FCC or the information that must be provided in NORS reports; these portions of the information collection have already been approved by OMB and have not changed since that approval.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), the Federal Communication Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: 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; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; 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; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before July 31, 2014. 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 below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email Nicholas.A.Fraser@omb.eop.gov; and to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov <<mailto:PRA@fcc.gov>> and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the Web page called "Currently Under Review," (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission" from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to the right of the "Select Agency" box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the OMB control number of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control No.: 3060-0678.

Title: Part 25 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules Governing the Licensing of, and Spectrum Usage by, Commercial Earth Stations and Space Stations.

Form No.: FCC Form 312; Schedule S; Schedule B; Schedule A; FCC Form 312-EZ; FCC Form 312-R.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents: 4,880 respondents; 4,928 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.5-80 hours per response.

Frequency of Response: On occasion, one time and annual reporting requirements; third-party disclosure requirement; recordkeeping requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection is contained

in 47 U.S.C. 154, 301, 302, 303, 307, 308, 309, 332 and 705 unless otherwise noted.

Total Annual Burden: 34,155 hours.

Annual Cost Burden: \$9,998,785.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: In general, there is no need for confidentiality with this collection of information.

Needs and Uses: On August 9, 2013, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) released a Report and Order (R&O) titled, "In the Comprehensive Review of Licensing and Operating Rules for Satellite Services." FCC 13-111. In this R&O, the Commission adopted comprehensive changes to Part 25 of the Commission's rules, which governs licensing and operation of space stations and earth stations for the provision of satellite communication services. Many of the amendments are substantive changes intended to afford licensees as much operational flexibility as possible consistent with minimizing harmful interference and easing administrative burdens on licensees, applicants, and the Commission. Additionally, this information collection is revised by incorporating existing separate information collection requirements under Part 25 into this information collection. Specifically, the revision of OMB Control No. 3060-0678 (Part 25 of the Commission's Rules) will consolidate information collections that are currently under OMB Control Nos. 3060-0768 (28 GHz Band Segmentation Plan), 3060-0955 (2 GHz Mobile Satellite Service Reports), 3060-0962 (Redesignation of the 18 GHz Band), 3060-0994 (Flexibility for Delivery of Communications by MSS Providers), 3060-1013 (Mitigation of Orbital Debris), 3060-1014 (Ku-band NGSO FSS), 3060-1059 (Global Mobile Personal Communications by Satellite (GMPCS)/E911 Call Centers), 3060-1061 (Earth Stations on Board Vessels (ESVs)), 3060-1066 (Renewal of Application for Satellite Space and Earth Station Authorization), 3060-1067 (Qualification Questions), 3060-1095 (Surrenders of Authorizations), 3060-1097 (Rules for Broadcasting Satellite Service), 3060-1106 (Vehicle Mounted Earth Stations (VMES)), 3060-1108 (Consummation of Assignments and Transfers of Control), 3060-1153 (Satellite Digital Radio Service (SDARS)), and 3060-1187 (Earth Stations Aboard Aircraft (ESAA)). Therefore, the number of respondents, number of responses, annual burden hours and annual costs have been amended from the previous submission