

are available for such projects. IPs which are not in compliance with the notice, *i.e.*, do not provide the required information, are submitted by ineligible applicants, are considered to be primarily construction projects, or are for the acquisition of land will not be considered.

#### IP Selection

Final selection of IPs will be made by the Director, Office of Wastewater Management. Selected organizations will be notified and requested to submit a full application. It is expected that unsuccessful applicants will be notified by e-mail.

#### Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants for assistance agreements under section 104(b)(3) of the Clean Water Act are State water pollution control agencies, Tribal governments, intertribal consortia, interstate agencies, and other public or non-profit private agencies, institutions, organizations and individuals.

#### Application Procedure

Electronic transmittal of IPs is preferred to facilitate the review process. Hard copies are acceptable. Please send three copies of the IPs if it is not electronically transmitted.

#### Dispute Resolution Process

Procedures at 40 CFR 30.63 and 40 CFR 31.70 apply.

#### Type of Assistance

It is expected that all the awards under this program will be cooperative agreements. States, interstate agencies, federally recognized tribes, and intertribal consortia meeting the requirements at 40 CFR 35.504 may include the funds for Water Quality Cooperative Agreements in a Performance Partnership Grant (PPG) in accordance with the regulations governing PPGs at 40 CFR part 35, subparts A and B. For states and interstate agencies that choose to do so, the regulations provide that the work plan commitments that would have been included in the WQCA must be included in the PPG work plan. A description of the Agency's substantial involvement in cooperative agreements will be included in the final agreement.

#### Schedule of Activities

This is the estimated schedule of activities for submission, review of proposals and notification of selections:

February 17, 2004—RFIPs due to EPA.

March 29, 2004—Initial approvals identified and sponsors of projects selected for funding will be requested to

submit a formal application package. Schedule may be modified based on the level of response.

A list of selected projects will be posted on the Office of Wastewater Management Web site <http://www.epa.gov/own/wqca/2004.htm>. This web site may also contain additional information about this request. Deadline extensions, if any, will be posted on this web site and not in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 11, 2003.

**Jane S. Moore,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Wastewater Management.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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

December 10, 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 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 February 17, 2004. 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](mailto: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](mailto:Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-1046.

*Title:* Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-128, Report and Order. *Form No.:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,023 respondents; 7,140 responses.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 100 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* Quarterly reporting requirement, third party disclosure requirement, and recordkeeping requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 714,000 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission issued a Report and Order in CC Docket No. 96-128, FCC 03-235, in which final rules were adopted that altered the previous payphone compensation rules. The new rules place the liability to compensate payphone service providers (PSPs) for payphone-originated calls on the facilities-based long distance carriers from whose switches such calls are completed. The new rules were not put in effect immediately to allow industry time to prepare for implementation of the new rules. Accordingly, the Order adopted interim rules initially adopted in the Second Order on Reconsideration until the new rules outlined in CC Docket No. 96-128 become effective. The interim rules received OMB approval on 11/14/03 and are currently in effect. The Commission is now seeking OMB approval of the final rules. The interim rules will be vacated and the new rules will go into effect on the first day of the next full quarter following the date of OMB approval.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0894.

*Title:* Certification Letter Accounting for Receipt of Federal Support—CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 96-262.

*Form No.:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* State, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents:* 52.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 3–5 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion and annual reporting requirements.

*Total Annual Burden:* 162 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission requires states to certify that carriers within the state had accounted for its receipt of federal support in its rates or otherwise used the support pursuant with Section 254(e). In an Order on Remand, the Commission modifies the high-cost universal service support mechanism for non-rural carriers and adopts measures to induce states to ensure reasonable comparability of rural and urban rates in areas served by non-rural carriers.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 03–3178]

### Freeze on High Power Use of the 460–470 MHz Band Extended

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this document the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) announces that its freeze on the filing of applications for high power operations on 12.5 kHz offset channels in the private land mobile radio 460–470 MHz band, which had been originally set to expire October 16, 2003, will instead be extended. In June 2000, the FCC established the Wireless Medical Telemetry Service (WMTS), and allotted a total of 13.5 megahertz of spectrum on a primary basis in three blocks (608–614 MHz, 395–1400 MHz, and 1427–1429.5). To prevent potential interference to medical telemetry operations the FCC froze applications for high power use of offset channels in the 460–470 MHz band on October 16, 2000 for a period not to exceed three years. Thus, the freeze was set to expire on October 16, 2003. The purpose of the three year freeze was to give hospitals sufficient time to migrate their medical telemetry operations from the 460–470 MHz band to the new WMTS bands.

**DATES:** For up to 180 days after October 16, 2003, the freeze on the filing of applications for high power operations on 12.5 kHz offset channels in the private land mobile radio 460–470 MHz band, will continue in the “freeze” status.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Kuzma, P.E., [john.kuzma@fcc.gov](mailto:john.kuzma@fcc.gov), Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, (202) 418–7479, or TTY (202) 418–7233.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of FCC Public Notice, DA 03–3178, released October 15, 2003. The full text of this document is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The complete text may be purchased from the FCC’s copy contractor, Qualex International, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554. The full text may also be downloaded at: <http://www.fcc.gov/wtb>. Alternative formats are available to persons with disabilities by contacting Brian Millin at (202) 418–7426 or TTY (202) 418–7365 or at [bmillin@fcc.gov](mailto:bmillin@fcc.gov).

1. On September 23, 2003, the American Hospital Association (AHA) reported that, based on its recent, informal polling of hospitals, there has been virtually no migration of medical telemetry systems to the WMTS frequencies. AHA notes that high power use in the 460–470 MHz band has the potential to interfere with existing medical telemetry systems that have not moved to the WMTS frequencies and has proposed a thirty-month plan for the transition of medical telemetry equipment into the WMTS frequencies.

2. The decision to extend the freeze is procedural in nature and therefore not subject to the notice and comment and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. Moreover, there is good cause for not using notice and comment procedures in this case, or making the freeze extension effective 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. The FCC finds that such procedures would be impractical, unnecessary and contrary to the public interest as our compliance would undermine the public policy rationale of the freeze in the first place. The decision to impose a temporary extension of the freeze is not intended to reflect on the ultimate resolution of the use of this band, but is intended to maintain the FCC’s regulatory options in the band pending the resolution of such issues described herein and to the continue to protect

against harmful interference to medical telemetry operations pending such resolutions. This action is authorized under sections 4(i), 4(j), and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 154(j), 303(r), and is taken under delegated authority pursuant to §§ 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 0.131, 0.331.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Ramona Melson,**

*Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collections to be submitted to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the FDIC hereby gives notice that it plans to submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for OMB review and approval of the following information collection systems described below.

1. *Type of Review:* Renewal of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Application for Consent to Exercise Trust Powers.

*Form Number:* 6200/09.

*OMB Number:* 3064–0025.

*Annual Burden:*

*Estimated annual number of respondents:* 18.

*Estimated time per response:* 14 applications—8 hours; 4 applications—24 hours.

*Total annual burden hours:* 208 hours.

*Expiration Date of OMB Clearance:* January 31, 2004.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Insured State nonmember banks submit applications to FDIC for consent to exercise trust powers. Applications are evaluated by FDIC to verify qualifications of bank management to administer a trust department and to ensure that bank’s financial condition will not be jeopardized as a result of trust operations.

2. *Type of Review:* Renewal of a Currently Approved Collection.