

*Privacy Impact Assessment:* Yes.

*Needs and Uses:* The reporting and/or recordkeeping requirements are for both AMTS and amateur radio operators (or "ham operators"), who share AMTS spectrum. The Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS) is a specialized system of coast stations providing integrated and interconnected marine voice and data communications, somewhat like a cellular phone system for tugs, barges, and other vessels on these waterways. The amateur radio operators ("ham operators") use some of the same frequencies (219–220 MHz) as AMTS stations on a secondary, non-interference basis for digital message forwarding systems. The reporting requirements, as established in 47 CFR 80.383 and 97.303, require amateur radio licensees ("ham operators"), who participate in point-to-point fixed digital message forwarding systems, such as intercity packet backbone networks, and who operate within 398 miles (640 kms) of an AMTS coast station, to notify AMTS station licensees in writing. The amateur radio licensees must give: (1) Their station's specific geographic location for the transmission, and (2) their station's technical characteristics, including transmitter type, operating frequencies, emissions, transmitter output power, and antenna arrangement. This notification must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the initiation of the amateur radio licensee's operations in the 219–220 MHz. In addition, under 47 CFR 80.475, applicants and licensees of Automated Maritime Telecommunications System (AMTS) coast stations must notify two organizations—the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) and the Interactive Systems, Inc. (ISI), of the location of the AMTS fill-in stations. ARRL and Interactive Systems, Inc. maintain databases of AMTS locations for the benefit of amateur radio operators. These notification requirements insure that any amateur radio operator seeking to commence operations within close proximity of an AMTS station will not cause any interference to an AMTS licensee. Amateur radio licensees also must give the ARRL written notification of the geographic location of a station at least 30 days prior to transmitting in the 219–220 MHz band. As a "station in a secondary service," amateur stations must accept any harmful interference from AMTS operations. Furthermore, under 47 CFR 80.475, AMTS licensees are permitted to operate fill-in stations. While no prior FCC authorization is required to construct and operate an AMTS fill-in station, at the time the

station is added, the AMTS licensee must make a record of the station's technical and administrative information, and upon request, supply such information to the FCC. The station must also send notification of the station's location to the ARRL and the ISI. In general, the notification process(es) functions without the FCC's direct involvement, except as required by 47 CFR 80.475, the AMTS station licensee must maintain a record of the station's technical and administrative functions and also provide a copy to the FCC upon request. The records of amateur radio operators include information about individuals or households, and the use(s) and disclosure of this information is governed by the requirements of a system of records, FCC/WTB–1, "Wireless Services Licensing Records." However, the FCC makes all information about amateur radio operators publicly available on its Universal Licensing System (ULS) Web page, except that the amateur operator's telephone number(s) and his/her e-mail address(es) are redacted. The public is entitled to download this public information, although ULS does not contain the locations of the amateur radio transmitters, information which amateur radio operators ("ham operators") have to provide to ARRL and to the AMTS licensees.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**  
*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

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

**AGENCY:** Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), the FDIC hereby gives notice that it has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for OMB review and approval of the following information collection systems described below.

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

*Title:* Foreign Branching and Investment By Insured State Nonmember Banks.

*OMB Number:* 3064–0125.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* All financial institutions.

*Annual Burden:* Estimated annual number of respondents, 61; Estimated time per response, 2 hours–400 hours; Total annual burden hours, 20,298 hours.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Deposit Insurance (FDI) Act requires nonmember banks to obtain FDIC consent to establish or operate a branch in a foreign country, or to acquire and hold, directly or indirectly, stock or other evidences of ownership in any foreign bank or other entity. The FDI Act also authorizes the FDIC to impose conditions for such consent and to issue regulations related thereto. The information collection activities attributable to 12 CFR part 347 and part 303, subpart J are a direct consequence of these statutory requirements.

*OMB Reviewer:* Mark D. Menchik, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503.

*FDIC Contact:* Leneta G. Gregorie, (202) 898–3719, Legal Division, Room MB–3082, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20429.

*Comments:* Comments on these collections of information are welcome and should be submitted on or before September 7, 2004 to both the OMB reviewer and the FDIC contact listed above.

**ADDRESSES:** Information about this submission, including copies of the proposed collection of information, may be obtained by calling or writing the FDIC contact listed above.

Dated in Washington, DC, this 2nd day of August, 2004.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Robert E. Feldman,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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