

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: \$270,000.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to OMB No. 2060-0181 and EPA No. 1284.05 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460;
and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: October 1, 1998.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6173-9]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Source Compliance and State Action Reporting/Compliance Reporting to the Aerometric Information and Retrieval System

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Source Compliance and State Action Reporting, EPA ICR Number 0107.06, OMB control number 2060-0096, current expiration date 10/31/98. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 9, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or

download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. #0107.06.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Source Compliance and State Action Reporting, EPA ICR Number 0107.06, OMB control number 2060-0096, current expiration date 10/31/98. This is a request for extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: Source Compliance and State Action reporting is an activity whereby State, District, Commonwealth and territorial (hereafter referred to as State) governments make air compliance information available to EPA on a quarterly basis via input to the Aerometric Information and Retrieval System (AIRS). The information provided to EPA includes compliance determinations and compliance activities. EPA uses this information to assess progress toward meeting emission requirements developed under the authority of the Clean Air Act to protect and maintain the atmospheric environment and the public health. The compliance information in AIRS is used by many States and by all ten EPA Regional offices on a frequent basis for managing activities of their air pollution control programs. This collection activity is authorized and required in the following subsections of regulations implementing the Clean Air Act under "Subpart Q—Reports" in 40 CFR part 51; §§ 51.323(c)(1), 51.324 (a) and (b), and 51.327.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15. The **Federal Register** document required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on 5/21/98 (63 FR 27951); no comments were received.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 169 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any

previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/Affected Entities: State Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 52.

Frequency of Response: 4 times/yr.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 35,884 hours.

Estimated Total Annualized Cost Burden: 0.

Send comments on the Agency's need for this information, the accuracy of the provided burden estimates, and any suggested methods for minimizing respondent burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques to the following addresses. Please refer to EPA ICR No. 0107.06 and OMB Control No. 2060-0096 in any correspondence.

Ms. Sandy Farmer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Policy, Regulatory Information Division (2137), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460;

and
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for EPA, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: October 1, 1998.

Joseph Retzer,

Director, Regulatory Information Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6174-2]

Meeting of the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This meeting is the second for the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee. Reports of various fact finding activities since the first meeting will be the focus of this gathering. The group takes up the work of an earlier advisory group known as the Small Towns Task Force. At this meeting, the subcommittee will hear presentations about the Small Community Activities Inventory Update

and the small town Mayors' fact finding mission. Part of the meeting will also be devoted to consideration of the proposed mission statement. The group will also hear from the technical assistance working group. Responsibility for the Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee rests with the Office of Administrator, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR) under the leadership of Joseph R. Crapa, Associate Administrator for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations and Linda B. Rimer, Deputy Associate Administrator for State and Local Relations. OCIR serves as the Agency's principal liaison with State and local government officials and the organizations which represent them.

This is an open meeting and all interested persons are invited to attend. Meeting minutes will be available after the meeting and can be obtained by written request from the DFO. Members of the public are requested to call the DFO at the number listed below if planning to attend so that arrangements can be made to comfortably accommodate attendees as much as possible. However, seating will be on a first come, first serve basis.

This meeting will be conducted by tele conference from room 17 of the Washington Information Center. There are a limited number of call-in lines available for the public comment. Those individuals wishing to make a statement before the subcommittee are encouraged to attend the meeting in person or to submit a written statement rather than calling-in, however, telephone lines will be made available on a first-come, first-serve basis. From 5:25-5:30 p.m. on October 21, the Committee will hear comments from the public. Each individual or organization wishing to address the Committee will be allowed one minute. Please contact the Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at the number listed below to schedule agenda time. Time will be allotted on a first come, first serve basis.

DATES: The meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 21 and conclude at 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the US EPA, Washington Information Center, room 17, located at 401 M Street, S.W. Washington, DC, 20460.

Requests for Minutes and other information can be obtained by writing to 401 M Street, S.W. (1502), Washington, DC 20460.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The DFO for this subcommittee is Steven Wilson. He is the point of contact for

information concerning any Committee matters and can be reached by calling (202) 260-2294.

Dated: October 2, 1998.

Steven Wilson,

Designated Federal Officer, Small Community Advisory Subcommittee of the Local Government Advisory Committee.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA-98-1984]

Extended Frequency Capability for Aeronautical Transceivers

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice; seeking comment.

SUMMARY: Commission staff seeks comment on a request for waiver to permit type-acceptance of aeronautical transceivers with transmit capability above the aeronautical radio band.

DATES: Comments are due on or before October 15, 1998; reply comments are due on or before October 26, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Parties should file the original comments and reply comments with Magalie Roman Salas Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, NW, Room 222, Washington, D.C. 20554. Copies of each filing must be sent to International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036; Michael J. Wilhelm, Attorney-Advisor, Federal Communications Commission, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, 2025 M Street, NW, Room 837, Washington, D.C. 20554 (or via e-mail to mwilhelm@fcc.gov); and to Rockwell-Collins, Inc., 1300 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 200, Arlington, Virginia, 22209. The full text of the waiver requests, comments and reply comments will be available for public inspection and duplication during regular business hours in the Public Safety and Private Wireless Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 2025 M Street, NW, Room 8010, Washington, DC 20554. Copies may also be obtained from ITS, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 857-3800.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael J. Wilhelm, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless

Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0860 or by e-mail to mwilhelm@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This public notice was released September 29, 1998.

We have before us a request for waiver of § 87.173 of the Commission's Rules¹ tendered by Rockwell-Collins, Inc. (Rockwell) on July 8, 1998 (Rockwell Waiver Request). Rockwell seeks to amend the type acceptance authorizations for two of its VHF aviation transceivers by extending the upper limit of the transceivers' transmit range to 152 MHz. This frequency falls above the 136.975 MHz upper limit of the VHF aviation band as specified in the Commission's Rules,² thus necessitating a waiver if the type

¹ Rockwell has also requested waiver of § 2.106 of the Commission's Rules.

² The frequencies from 108 MHz to 117.95 are used for land-based navigation aids and aircraft may not transmit on these frequencies. Thus, the Commission's rules provide for aviation transceiver transmit capability only over the range 118 MHz to 136.975 (nominally, 137) MHz. See §§ 87.173 (b), 87.475 (b) (4), (5) of the Commission's Rules. The United States assignments correspond to those recognized internationally by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) See International Standards and Recommended Practices, Aeronautical Telecommunications, Annex 10 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, Table 4-1, International Civil Aviation Organization, Montreal, 1997. When the ICAO adopts an International Standard and Recommended Practice it is binding on the contracting countries. See Amendment of Part 87 of the Commission's Rules to Establish Technical Standards and Licensing Procedures for Aircraft Earth Stations, Report and Order, PR Docket No. 90-315, 7 FCC Rcd 5895, 5896 n.12 (1992). In the United States, aviation channels are spaced 25 kHz apart. See §§ 87.173(b), 87.137(a) of the Commission's Rules. However, many European countries are implementing a channel plan employing 8.33 kHz channel spacing in order to derive more channels for air traffic control use. See Plan for the 8.33 kHz Channel Spacing Implementation in Europe, Edition 2.0, European Civil Aviation Conference, Dec. 2, 1996, at 2. Rockwell has received a waiver of the rules to permit type acceptance of certain models of its aviation transceivers which employ 8.33 kHz channel spacing for use in Europe. See Rockwell Collins, Inc. Request for Waiver of § 87.173 of the Commission's Rules Governing Assignable Carrier Frequencies in the Aviation Services, DA 98-2753, Order, 13 FCC Rcd 2954 (1998). Rockwell received type acceptance for its models: VHF-700B (type acceptance no. AJKPN822-1044); 618M-5 (type acceptance no. AJK8221046); VHF 900B (type acceptance no. AJKPN822-1047) and VHF-21C, -22C, -422C (type acceptance no. AJL8221116). The instant waiver request seeks to "reincorporate" the extended frequency range in Model 618M-5 and in Model VHF-21D, -22D and 422D. The VHF -21D -22D -422D models would differ from the VHF-21C, -22C, -422C models only with respect to the extended frequency range sought for the "D" versions. See Rockwell Waiver Request at 1, n.2. Other manufacturers have received similar waivers or have requests for waiver pending. See, e.g., Honeywell, Inc. Commercial Flight Systems Group, Request for Waiver of § 87.173(b) of the Commission's Rules Governing Assignable Carrier Frequencies in the Aviation Services, DA 98-1176, Order (rel. June 17, 1998).