

and WAPA received no comments on the proposed extension.

#### DISCUSSION

On September 30, 2018, the existing Rate Schedules PD-F7, PD-FCT7, PD-FT7, and PD-NFT7 were scheduled to expire. Under Delegation Order No. 00-037.00B, Section 1.5, WAPA's Administrator approved rates for short-term sales that were the same as those in existing Rate Schedules PD-F7, PD-FCT7, PD-FT7, and PD-NFT7 to cover the period between October 1, 2018, and the date the final rate extension goes into effect or March 31, 2019, whichever occurs first. The existing firm electric and transmission service formula rates provide adequate revenue to pay all annual costs, including interest expense, and to repay required investment according to the cost recovery criteria set forth in DOE Order RA 6120.2. Rate Order No. WAPA-184, which extends the existing rate schedules through September 30, 2023, ensures adequate revenue to pay all annual costs for the period covered by this Order.

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#### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0057]

#### 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, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. 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 Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (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 January 17, 2019. 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 listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, OMB, via email [Nicholas\\_A\\_Fraser@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov); and to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) and to [Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov](mailto:Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov). Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418-2991. 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:** 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 Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection.

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.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0057.

*Title:* Application for Equipment Authorization.

*Form Number:* FCC Form 731.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 11,291 respondents; 24,851 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 8.11 hours (rounded up).

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement and third-party disclosure requirement.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in the 47 U.S.C. 154(i), 301, 302, 303(e), 303(f) and 303(r).

*Total Annual Burden:* 201,450 hours.

*Total Annual Costs:* \$50,110,000.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* The personally identifiable information (PII) in this information collection is covered by a Privacy Impact Assessment (PIA), Equipment Authorizations Records and Files Information System. It is posted at: <https://www.fcc.gov/general/privacy-act-information#pia>.

*Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:* Minimal exemption from the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) under 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4) and FCC rules under 47 CFR 0.457(d) is granted for trade secrets which may be submitted as attachments to the application FCC Form 731. No other assurances of confidentiality are provided to respondents.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission will submit this revised information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) after this 60-day comment period to obtain the three-year clearance. There is an increase in respondents/burden cost estimates to reflect the increased complexity of devices subject to the Commission rules and costs associated with testing by third-party test firms and review by Telecommunications Certification Bodies. At the same time the changes in system and consolidation of different information collection projects a reduction of burden hours.

The Commission is seeking a revision of the Equipment Authorization

information collection because of a redesign of the electronic system that collects the information (Equipment Authorization System) that streamlines the processes for filing the information associated with applications for equipment Certification pursuant to subpart J of part 2 of the Commission rules. The new electronic system also allows the Commission to consolidate and combine information that is currently authorized separately.<sup>1</sup> The system is designed to process all data collection electronically and will eliminate repetitive information collection within applications and will permit parties to reference previously submitted information at the time of equipment authorization application. The justification has been revised to represent the updated information collected from different parties, to note that previously submitted information can be referenced in individual applications and to project the updated costs associated with testing the more complex devices that predominate the current environment.

The Commission rules require manufacturers of certain radio frequency (RF) equipment<sup>2</sup> to obtain equipment authorization approval prior to marketing their equipment. Manufacturers may then market their RF equipment based on a showing of compliance with the applicable technical standards. The Commission typically adopts or modifies its technical standards in response to new technologies and in conjunction with changes to spectrum allocations. Under the equipment authorization rules there are two types of authorization processes: Certification and Suppliers Declaration of Conformity. The technical rules for the services in which the equipment is proposed to operate will specify which type of equipment authorization must be obtained before the equipment can be marketed. This information collection is specific for equipment subject to Certification. Appendix A of this statement provides the current list of rules that require Certification. Applications for Certification are submitted on FCC Form 731.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> The revised collection will include the information collection previously authorized under OMB 3060-0398 (Secs. 2.948, 2.949 except for Section 15.117(g)(2)).

<sup>2</sup> See Section 2.803 (47 CFR 2.803). The kinds of equipment that are being marketed include devices such as cellular telephones, tablets, remote control devices and scanning devices. However, the types of equipment that are manufactured may change in response to changing technologies and new spectrum allocations made by the Commission.

<sup>3</sup> The information collection for Suppliers Declaration of conformity is authorized under OMB 3060-0636.

Accordingly, this information collection applies to RF equipment that:

- (a) Is currently manufactured, or may be manufactured in the future, and
- (b) Operates under varying technical standards.

A party (e.g. an RF equipment manufacturer) seeking device Certification pursuant to § 2.911 must first obtain a grantee code. This is a one-time application, as the party may use the same grantee code in all of its subsequent equipment authorization applications. The party provides its contact information and the FCC Registration Number (FRN) to obtain the grantee code on the Grantee Code Application web page of FCC Form 731.<sup>4</sup> A grantee code is assigned pursuant to § 2.926(c) of the Commission rules, and any information changes (as described in § 2.929) must be updated on the electronic system.

A party seeking device Certification is required to submit its application to an FCC-recognized Telecommunications Certification Body (TCB). The FCC recognizes TCBs pursuant to §§ 2.960 and 2.962. TCBs must be designated by appropriate designating authorities in the United States or through a mutual recognition agreement (MRA) for foreign countries where an MRA is in place, pursuant to § 2.960. A TCB's designation is only recognized when it is supported by an accrediting organization meeting the requirements specified in § 2.960(c). Information about the TCBs including their scope of responsibilities pursuant to § 2.962, the TCB accrediting body (TCBA) and the TCB designating authority (TDA) is submitted by the parties on the specific web pages of FCC Form 731. The information about a TCB, TCBA or TDA is only collected when a new entity is added or there is a change in the scope of the entity responsibilities. The information is used for verification and validation when a TCB submits information indicating approval of the application for grant of Certification.

TCBs have flexibility in the format they use to collect information for application for equipment Certification—e.g., they may require applicants to submit the required information in a format that mirrors FCC Form 731, or they may opt to use a customized format. In all cases, the information required is governed by the procedural rules in part 2 and a showing of compliance with the FCC technical standards for the specific type of equipment that is the subject of the application.

<sup>4</sup> Information collection for FCC Registration Number is authorized under OMB 3060-0917.

TCBs process application as follows:

- (i) The TCB receives and reviews the information submitted by the party seeking Certification of an RF device.
- (ii) The TCB enters the information on the appropriate FCC Form 731 web page. The TCB submits the final recommendation on the disposal of the application. If the recommendation is to authorize the grant, a grant of certification is published through the system. If the recommendation is not to approve, this decision is noted in the system.

All applications for Certification require the product to be tested for rules compliance by measurement test firms (TF) accredited by test firm accreditation bodies (TFAB) that have been recognized by the FCC (see §§ 2.948 and 2.949, respectively). TF and TFAB information is submitted through FCC Form 731 web pages for such information for verification and validation when the TCB reviews the application. The information collection for TF and TFAB is currently approved under OMB 3060-0398, but is being included in this revision.

An application for Certification must contain the following data, as is specified in § 2.1033:

- Information about the Grantee or their agents submitting the application on the Grantee's behalf.
  - Information specific to the equipment including FCC Identifier, equipment class, technical specifications, etc.
  - Attachments that demonstrate compliance with FCC rules may include any combination of the following based on the applicable FCC rule parts for the equipment for which authorization is requested:
    - Identification of equipment (§ 2.925);
    - Attestation statements that may be required for specific equipment;
    - External photos;
    - Block diagram of the device;
    - Schematics;
    - Test Report;
    - Test Setup Photos;
    - User's Manual;
    - Internal Photos;
    - Parts List/Tune Up Information;
    - RF Exposure Information;
    - Operational Description;
    - Cover Letters;
    - Software Defined Radio/Cognitive Radio Files;
    - Pre-approval guidance correspondence with TCB; and
    - Pre-approval inquiry correspondence with applicant
- Applications for devices subject to multiple rule parts or to different

requirements within the same rule part can be included in a single submission that provides whatever additional relevant information is necessary to show compliance with additional requirements. Applications subject to pre-approval guidance pursuant to § 2.964 must include the guidance correspondence.

Applications for devices operating under certain service rules (as specified in § 2.1033) must also include information specified in the rule parts.<sup>5</sup> This documentation, as well as any other information that demonstrates conformance with FCC Rules, may range from 100 to 1,000 pages, and is essential to control potential interference to radio communications. The FCC may use this information to investigate complaints of harmful interference.

The decision on the grant of application is made on the Equipment Authorization System electronically pursuant to §§ 2.915, 2.917 or 2.919. A Certification is subject to the limitations under § 2.927 and the grantee is responsible for ongoing compliance including record retention pursuant to §§ 2.931, 2.937 and 2.938.

The grantee is responsible to ensure that the device continues to comply with the rules. Device changes will require a new application for Certification pursuant to §§ 2.932 and 2.933, unless they can be classified as permissive changes under the rules for Class II or III permissive changes, as specified in § 2.1043(b). For a permissive change, the grantee is required to file supplementary information explaining the changes and

must provide updated test information to a TCB for review. The TCB will then submit the data on the FCC Form 731 web pages for permissive changes. The only data required is that which supports the compliance of the changed functions. For changes which are considered Class I under §§ 2.1043(b) or 2.924 no further submissions are necessary although the applicant is responsible for keeping records of the changes.

Information on the procedures for equipment authorization applications can be obtained from the internet at: <https://www.fcc.gov/engineering-technology/laboratory-division/general/equipment-authorization>.

**Appendix A**

**RULE PARTS REFERENCING EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATION**

| Rule sections<br>(47 CFR) | Reference   |
|---------------------------|---|
| 2.911, 2.1033 .....       | Applications.   |
| 11.34 .....               | EAS Equipment acceptability for filing.   |
| 15.201 .....              | Equipment Authorization Requirements.   |
| 18.203 .....              | Equipment Authorization.  |
| 20.19(b) .....            | HAC Requirements.   |
| 20.21(e)(2) .....         | Signal Boosters.  |
| 22.377 .....              | Certification of transmitters.  |
| 24.51 .....               | Equipment Authorization (including 24.52 RF Hazards).   |
| 25.129 .....              | Equipment Authorization for portable earth-station transceivers.                                      |
| 27.51 .....               | Equipment Authorization (including 27.52 RF Safety).  |
| 30.201 .....              | Equipment Authorization (30.201(c) refers to verification).   |
| 74.451 .....              | Certification of equipment—remote pickup.   |
| 74.750 .....              | Low Power TV (type notified).   |
| 74.851 .....              | Certification of equipment—LPAS.  |
| 80.203 .....              | Authorization of transmitters—maritime services (special manual or other type approval requirements). |
| 87.147 .....              | Authorization of equipment—Aviation.  |
| 90.203 .....              | Certification required—Private land mobile radio.   |
| 95.335 .....              | Operation of non-certified transmitters prohibited—Personal Radio Service.                            |
| 95.361 .....              | Transmitter Certification—Personal Radio Service.   |
| 95.561 .....              | FRS transmitter certification.  |
| 95.761 .....              | RCRS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.961 .....              | CBRS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.1761 .....             | GMRS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.1951 .....             | Certification—200 MHz.  |
| 95.2161 .....             | LPRS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.2361 .....             | WMTS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.2561 .....             | MedRadio transmitter certification.   |
| 95.2761 .....             | MURS transmitter certification.   |
| 95.2961 .....             | PLB and MSLD transmitter certification.   |
| 95.3161 .....             | OBU transmitter certification.  |
| 95.3361 .....             | Certification—76–81GHz Radar service.   |
| 96.49 .....               | Equipment Authorization CBRS.   |
| 97.315 .....              | Certification of external RF power amplifiers—Amateur Radio.  |

<sup>5</sup> See 47 CFR Sections 2.1033(b)(9)–(14), 2.1033(c)(13)–(21) and 2.1033(d).

Federal Communications Commission.

**Cecilia Sigmund,**

*Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND  
SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0198; Docket No. 2018-0003; Sequence No. 20]

**Submission for OMB Review;  
Violations of Arms Control Treaties or  
Agreements With the United States**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat Division will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an existing OMB emergency clearance notice regarding violations of arms control treaties or agreements with the United States.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 17, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for GSA, Room 10236, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503. Additionally submit a copy to GSA by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the instructions on the site.

- *Mail:* General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405. ATTN: Ms. Mandell/IC 9000-0198, Violations of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements with the United States.

*Instructions:* Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0198, Violations of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements with the United States, in all correspondence related to

this collection. Comments received generally will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided. To confirm receipt of your comment(s), please check [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), approximately two to three days after submission to verify posting (except allow 30 days for posting of comments submitted by mail).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Cecelia L. Davis, Procurement Analyst, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, at 202-219-0202 or email [cecilia.davis@gsa.gov](mailto:cecilia.davis@gsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

This is a requirement for an extension of OMB control number 9000-0198, Violations of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements with the United States.

Section 1290 of Public Law 114-328 (codified at 22 U.S.C. 2593e) went into effect on December 23, 2016. The implementation of this FAR case will protect against doing business with entities that engage in any activity that contributed to or is a significant factor in a country's failure to comply with arms control treaties or agreements with the United States. This action is necessary because of statutory requirements relating to a national security function of the United States.

A notice was published in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 28145, on June 15, 2018, as part of an interim rule under FAR Case 2017-018, Violations of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements with the United States.

**B. Public Comment**

A 60-day notice published in the **Federal Register** at 83 FR 29117 on June 22, 2018. No comments were received.

**C. Annual Reporting Burden**

*Number of Respondents:* 11,634.

*Responses per Respondent:* 8.6.

*Total Responses:* 99,796.

*Average Burden Hours per Response:* 0.4 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 40,478.

*Obtaining Copies of Proposals:* Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat Division (MVCB), 1800 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone 202-501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0198,

Violations of Arms Control Treaties or Agreements with the United States.

**Janet Fry,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
HUMAN SERVICES**

**Agency for Healthcare Research and  
Quality**

**Agency Information Collection  
Activities: Proposed Collection;  
Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the intention of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approve the proposed information collection project: "*Online Application Order Form for Products from the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)*."

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by February 19, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Doris Lefkowitz, Reports Clearance Officer, AHRQ, by email at [doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov).

Copies of the proposed collection plans, data collection instruments, and specific details on the estimated burden can be obtained from the AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Doris Lefkowitz, AHRQ Reports Clearance Officer, (301) 427-1477, or by email at [doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:doris.lefkowitz@AHRQ.hhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Proposed Project**

*Online Application Order Form for Products from the Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP)*

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3521, AHRQ invites the public to comment on this proposed information collection. The Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project (HCUP, pronounced "H-Cup") is a vital resource helping the Agency achieve its research agenda, thereby furthering its goal of improving the delivery of health care in the United States. HCUP is a family of health care databases and related software tools and products developed through a Federal-