

compliance with the intent of Order 888 for open access wholesale electric transmission rates.

A Public Forum is scheduled to be held at 1:00 p.m., central standard time (c.s.t.) Tuesday, October 29, 1996, in Southwestern's offices, room 1402, Williams Center Tower 1, One West Third Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Forum is being held to explain the goals of the rate design review process and identify areas of specific concern or interest to customers and other parties. The Forum will also seek comments and opinions regarding potential approaches to the rate design of ancillary services and the unbundling of the generation and transmission rates. The Forum will be conducted by a chairman who will be responsible for orderly procedure. Questions or comments concerning potential rate development structures presented at the forum may be submitted from interested persons and will be answered, to the extent possible, at the forum. Questions not answered at the Forum will be answered in writing, except the questions involving voluminous data contained in Southwestern's records may best be answered by consultation and review of pertinent records at Southwestern's offices.

A transcript of the Public Forum will be made. Copies of the transcript may be obtained from the transcribing service. Copies of all documents introduced at the Forum will be available as part of the transcript from the transcribing service, for a fee.

An interested parties list will be developed for those parties that are unable to attend the Public Forum, but would like to receive any mailings regarding this issue in the future. Please provide mailing information to Mr. Forrest E. Reeves at the above address.

Also, to further ensure an understanding of the information furnished at the Forum, a Technical Conference will be convened before the end of February 1997. The purpose of this Conference will be to review the comments and encourage discussions to help narrow the rate design alternatives to those that will best address Southwestern's goal to provide the lowest possible rates consistent with sound business principles and still achieve full cost recovery for the services provided, while meeting the intent of Rule 888. Following this conference, Southwestern will complete its rate and repayment process and develop rate schedules for the Integrated System based on the rate design information developed as a result of this public participation process.

Issued in Tulsa, Oklahoma, this 7th day of October 1996.

Francis R. Gajan,

Acting Administrator.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collections being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

October 7, 1996.

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, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 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 (PRA) 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 clarify 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: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by December 16, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Dorothy Conway, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to dconway@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Dorothy Conway at 202-418-0217 or via internet at dconway@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0343.
Title: Section 25.140—Qualifications of Satellite Space Station Licensees.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision to existing collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; Small businesses and organizations.

Number of Respondents: 25.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 2500 hours.

Estimated Cost per Respondent: Based on the assumption that applicants will hire outside counsel at an approximate cost of \$150 per hour, it is estimated that the cost per submission will be \$150,000.00.

Needs and Uses: On January 19, 1996, the Commission adopted a Report and Order revising its rules and policies regarding satellite space and earth station licensing. Amendment of the Commission's Regulatory Policies Governing Domestic Fixed Satellite and Separate International Satellite Systems, IB Docket No. 95-41, 61 FR 9946 (March 12, 1996). The Commission sought emergency approval of this voluntary collection, OMB Number 0380-0343, at 61 FR 37896 (July 22, 1996). The revisions to this information collection will permit all U.S.-licensed satellite operators to provide both domestic and international service via U.S.-licensed facilities. The revisions adopted in the Report and Order removes all reference to "domestic" in Section 25.140 of the rules, 47 CFR 25.140. A one-step financial showing policy was adopted which broadly applies the existing policy to all applicants for space station facilities. Exceptions to the one-step showing may be granted upon appropriate request by applicants seeking authority to operate in an uncongested portion of the orbital arc. Applicants with pending applications for separate systems authorizations will be afforded time to bring their applications into conformance with the one-step financial showing policy or to request authority for processing under the existing two-step policy.

The collections of information contained in Part 25 are used by Commission staff in carrying out its duties as set forth in Section 308 and 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 308 and 309, to determine the technical, legal and other qualifications of an applicant to operate a satellite space station. The one-step financial showings, including amendments to pending applications filed under this policy, will be used by the Commission to determine whether applicants are qualified to construct, launch and operate satellite space station facilities in order to provide timely service to the public. The

information collected is used to determine whether the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served, in accordance with Section 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC 309.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0383.

Title: Part 25—Satellite Communications.

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision to existing collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; Small businesses and organizations.

Number of Respondents: 2500.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.5 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 3,750 hours.

Estimated Cost Per Respondent: Based on the assumption that applicants will hire outside counsel at an approximate cost of \$150 per hour, it is estimated that the cost per submission will be \$450.00.

Needs and Uses: On January 19, 1996, the Commission adopted a Report and Order revising its rules and policies regarding satellite space and earth station licensing. Amendment of the Commission's Regulatory Policies Governing Domestic Fixed Satellite and Separate International Satellite Systems, IB Docket No. 95-41, 61 FR 9946 (March 12, 1996). The Commission sought emergency approval of this voluntary collection, OMB Number 0380-0383, at 61 FR 37897 (July 22, 1996).

The revisions to this information collection will permit all U.S.-licensed satellite operators to provide both domestic and international service via U.S.-licensed facilities without submitting modification applications. In addition, applicants may designate whether their services will be offered on a common carrier or non-common carrier basis in the initial application for service. Should their service requirements change, a letter indicating a change in status will be submitted, rather than an application to modify the license.

An increase in the Intelsat Article XIV(d) consultation submissions may occur as applicants and licensees entering the international service market will be required to consult their operations with Intelsat under Article XIV(d).

The collections of information contained in Part 25 are used by Commission staff in carrying out its duties as set forth in Section 308 and 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 308 and 309, to determine the technical, legal and other qualifications of an applicant to operate a station. Article XIV(d)

consultations will be used by the Commission to verify that licensees are fully coordinated with other users in the band. The information collected is used to determine whether the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served, in accordance with Section 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC 309.

Federal Communications Commission.

William Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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Notice of Public Information Collections Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

October 9, 1996.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications, 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 proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 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 (PRA) 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 estimates; (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 comments should be submitted on or before November 14, 1996. 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 comments to Dorothy Conway, Federal Communications, Room 234, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to dconway@fcc.gov and Timothy Fain, OMB Desk Officer, 10236 NEOB 725 17th Street, N.W.,

Washington, DC 20503 or fain_t@a1.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Dorothy Conway at 202-418-0217 or via internet at dconway@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0390.

Title: Broadcast Station Annual Employment Report.

Form No: FCC 395-B.

Type of Review: Revision of an existing collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit; State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 14,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: .88 hours per report.

Total Annual Burden: 12,320 hours.

Estimated Costs Per Respondent: 0.

Needs and Uses: The FCC 395-B is a data collection device used to assess and enforce the Commission's EEO requirements. It is filed by all AM, FM, TV, international and low power TV broadcast licensees/permittees. The data is used by FCC staff to monitor a licensee's permittee's efforts to comply with the broadcast EEO rules.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0215.

Title: Section 73.3527 Local Public Inspection file of noncommercial educational stations.

Form No: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 2,168 noncommercial educational radio and television stations will maintain a public inspection file and 15 noncommercial TV stations will elect must-carry status for cable systems that change the number of channels.

Estimated Time Per Response: 104 hours annually per noncommercial education radio and television station maintaining public inspection files; and 1 hour per noncommercial TV station per statement.

Total Annual Burden: 225,487 hours.

Estimated Costs Per Respondent: 0.

Needs and Uses: Section 73.3527 requires that each licensee/permittee of a noncommercial broadcast station maintain a file for public inspection at its main studio or at another accessible location in its community of license. The contents of the file vary according to type of service and status. The contents include, but are not limited to, copies of certain applications tendered for filing, a statement concerning petitions to deny filed against such applications, copies of ownership