

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 3060-0402.

Title: Application for New or Modified Microwave Radio Station License Authorization Under Part 21.

Form No.: 494.

Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 9,700.

Estimated Time Per Response: 2 hours.

Total Annual Burden: 19,400 hours.

Total Annualized Cost per respondent: The costs for this collection are \$180 filing fee and \$140 regulatory fee for each new application. There is \$180 filing fee for application modifications. The Commission estimates 2,910 new applications and 6,790 modifications will be submitted.

Needs and Uses: The FCC 494 is used by telecommunications entities to request authorization to construct and operate microwave facilities. It is the initial application for requesting authorization for facilities governed under Part 21 of the Commission rules. The FCC 494 is a multipurpose application to request authorization for new or modified radio station facilities in the following Part 21 services: Point to Point Microwave; Local Television Transmission Service and Digital Electronic Message Service. The form is used to apply for a license for a new radio station; to amend an pending license application; to modify a granted license; and to notify the Commission of certain changes. The Commission used the information to determine if an applicant is qualified legally, technically and financially to be licensed to use microwave radio frequencies.

OMB Approval No.: 3060-0436.

Title: Equipment Authorization - Cordless Telephone Security Coding Sections 15.214(c), 68.200(k).

Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.

Number of Respondents: 100 respondents for Section 15.214(d)(3) and 100 respondents for section 68.200(k).

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.5 hours per response for section 15.24(d)(3) and .5 hours per response for section 68.200(k).

Total Annual Burden: 200 hours.

Total Annualized Cost per respondent: There are no start-up or operational and maintenance costs associated with this collection.

Needs and Uses: Cordless telephone security features protect the public switched telephone network from unintentional line seizure and telephone dialing. These features prevent unauthorized access to the telephone line, the dialing of calls in response to signals other than those from the owner's handset and the unintentional ringing of a cordless telephone handset. Use of cordless telephone security features reduce the harm caused by some cordless telephones to the "911" Emergency Service Telephone System and the telephone network in general.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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[DA 95-2341]**Applications in the 37.0-38.6 GHz and 38.6-40 GHz Bands**

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 13, 1995, the Acting Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau adopted an Order that imposes a freeze on the Commission accepting applications in the Common Carrier or Operational Fixed Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Services for the 38.6-40.0 GHz frequency assignments. The Order was released November 13, 1995. The freeze was necessary so that the public interest can be served by not accepting further applications pending Commission action on a rulemaking petition that would modify application processing and technical rules for this frequency band. The effect of the freeze is to give the public consistent technical standards for the 38.6-40.0 GHz frequency assignments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 13, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert James of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0680.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Order

Adopted: November 13, 1995

Released: November 13, 1995

By the Acting Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

1. Pending before the Commission is a petition for rulemaking (RM-8553, Public Notice, Report No. 2044, released December 1, 1994) filed by the Point-to-Point Microwave Section of the Telecommunications Industry

Association, concerning use of the 37.0-38.6 GHz (37 GHz) and 38.6-40.0 GHz (39 GHz) bands. The petition requests that the Commission, among other things, modify the existing technical standards governing point-to-point operations in the 39 GHz band. The existing rules governing the 39 GHz band are inconsistent with the proposal contained in the petition. Thus, the petition for rulemaking, if granted, would require new application processing and technical rules for this frequency band.

2. Over 2,100 applications for 39 GHz licenses have been filed since January 1995. The increasing number of applications constitutes a burden on the Commission's scarce resources and may limit the impact of a Commission rulemaking in response to the petition because applications being filed and processed are not necessarily in conformance with application and technical requirements that may be developed for the 39 GHz bands if the rulemaking petition is granted.

Consequently, we find that the public interest will be served by not accepting any further applications for licensing new 39 GHz frequency assignments, pending Commission action on the rulemaking petition. Accordingly, effective upon the release date of this Order, no applications in the Common Carrier or Operational Fixed Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Services for the 39 GHz band will be accepted for filing. Any such applications received on or after this date will be returned as unacceptable for filing. This freeze does not apply to applications for assignment or transfer of control of license.

3. The Commission's decision to impose this freeze is procedural in nature and therefore the freeze is not subject to the notice and comment and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), (d); *Kessler v. FCC*, 326 F.2d 673 (D.C. Cir. 1963). Moreover, there is good cause for the Commission's not using notice and comment procedures in this case, or making the freeze effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register, because to do so would be impractical, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest because compliance would undercut the purposes of the freeze. See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), (d)(3).

4. Wherefore, as discussed herein, *it is hereby ordered that* effective upon the release date of this Order, no applications will be accepted for filing for the 38.6-40.0 GHz frequency band in the Common Carrier or Operational Fixed Point-to-Point Microwave Radio Services. This freeze will continue until

the Commission makes an announcement that such application acceptance will resume.

Federal Communications Commission.

Gerald P. Vaughan,

Acting Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Agency Sunshine Act Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 11:10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 27, 1996, the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation met in closed session to consider matters relating to the Corporation's supervisory activities.

In calling the meeting, the Board determined, on motion of Vice Chairman Andrew C. Hove, Jr., seconded by Director Joseph H. Neely (Appointive), concurred in by Director Jonathan L. Fiechter (Acting Director, Office of Thrift Supervision), Mr. Stephen R. Steinbrink, acting in the place and stead of Director Eugene A. Ludwig (Comptroller of the Currency), and Chairman Ricki Helfer, that Corporation business required its consideration of the matters on less than seven days' notice to the public; that no earlier notice of the meeting was practicable; that the public interest did not require consideration of the matters in a meeting open to public observation; and that the matters could be considered in a closed meeting by authority of subsections (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), and (c)(9)(A)(ii) of the "Government in the Sunshine Act" (5 U.S.C. 552b (c)(4), (c)(6), (c)(8), and (c)(9)(A)(ii)).

The meeting was held in the Board Room of the FDIC Building located at 550-17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Dated: February 27, 1996.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Deputy Executive Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

[FEMA-1102-DR]

Idaho; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Idaho, (FEMA-1102-DR), dated February 11, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 20, 1996

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster for the State of Idaho, is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of February 11, 1996:

Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce and Shoshone Counties and the Nez Perce Indian Reservation for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation (already designated for Individual Assistance)

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

William C. Tidball,

Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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[FEMA-1094-DR]

Maryland; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Maryland (FEMA-1094-DR), dated January 23, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 12, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated February 12, 1996, the President amended the major disaster declaration of January 23, 1996, under the authority

of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*), in a letter to James L. Witt, Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Maryland, resulting from flooding on January 19-31, 1996, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant the expansion of the incident type to include damage resulting from severe storms and flooding in the major disaster declaration of January 23, 1996, under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act ("the Stafford Act").

All other conditions specified in the original declaration remain the same.

Please notify the Governor of the State of Maryland and the Federal Coordinating Officer of this amendment to my major disaster declaration.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

G. Clay Hollister,

Deputy Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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[FEMA-1097-DR]

Ohio; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Ohio (FEMA-1097-DR), dated January 27, 1996, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 15, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Pauline C. Campbell, Response and Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3606.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this disaster is closed effective January 31, 1996.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.516, Disaster Assistance)

G. Clay Hollister,

Deputy Associate Director, Response and Recovery Directorate.

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[FEMA-1099-DR]

Oregon; Amendment to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).