

DATES: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by September 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 234, 1919 M St., NW., Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to lesmith@fcc.gov.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0139.

Title: Application for Antenna Structure Registration.

Form No.: FCC 854, and FCC 854 ULS.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Individuals; Businesses or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 4,500.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements.

Cost to Respondents: \$0.

Total Annual Burden: 2,250 hours

Needs and Uses: Section 303(q) of the Communications Act, as amended, authorizes the Commission to require the painting and/or illumination of radio towers in cases where there is a reasonable possibility that an antenna structure may cause a hazard to air navigation. The data collected is required by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended; FCC Rules Section 1.61(a), 17.4, 21.11(g), 25.113(c), 73.3533(c), 74.551(c), 74.651(d), 74.1251(d), 78.109(c), 95.83(a)(3), 97.15(d).

This FCC form is to be used for the purpose of registering structures used for wire or radio communication services within the United States, or to make changes to an existing registered structure, or to notify the Commission of the dismantlement of a structure. The Commission staff will evaluate the antenna data submitted by the tower owner and determine if Part 17 rule requirements are met and if any obstruction painting and/or lighting will be necessary. The tower owner will receive notification that the Commission has registered the structure, modification or dismantlement on FCC Form 854R, Antenna Structure Registration. Owners of new and modified towers must notify the Commission within 24 hours of construction completion and/or disposition of structure, using a portion

of the FCC Form 854R which is detachable.

The Commission has completed the final phase of the initial two year registration period for the revised antenna structure registration process. We estimate a significant decrease (adjustment) in the number of total respondents from 43,000 to 4,500 and a decrease in the total annual burden from 21,500 hours to 2,250 hours as a result of a re-evaluation of receipts due to the program change implemented two years ago.

The Commission is currently developing a Universal Licensing System (ULS) which combines 11 separate databases into one. The databases are gradually being converted to ULS and use is subsequently being phased in. Antenna Structure Registration will be part of the ULS and Form 854 is being re-designed for use with ULS. We will need to maintain approval on both the current Form 854 and the Form 854ULS until ULS is fully implemented. At that time, we will submit a modification to the collection to reflect the obsolescence of the current FCC Form 854.

The Form 854ULS differs from the Form 854 as follows: ULS will assign a sequential file number to each filing for tracking purposes. The purpose of "Registration of an existing antenna structure" has been deleted and purposes of "Duplicate", "Withdraw pending", "Amendment" and "Cancel" have been added. When applicable, FCC 854ULS will collect "file number of pending application for antenna structure registration on file"; coordinates for center of structure array; contact representative information; overall height above mean sea level; and FAA notification issue date. Form 854ULS will collect only NAD83 datum of coordinates (no longer a NAD27 option). FCC 854ULS will not collect "issue date of most current registration"; nature of modification; FAA Regional Office name; "Date FAA Notification was filed"; or "FCC Painting and Lighting Paragraphs".

FCC 854ULS will collect Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) of the antenna structure owner. For individuals, TIN is your Social Security Number; for other entities, it is Employer Identification Number (EIN). In order to use ULS, each antenna structure owner will be required to register their Taxpayer Identification Number and any associated registration numbers with the Commission. TIN will provide a "link" to all antenna structure registrations associated to any one owner. Use of Taxpayer Identification Number in the Universal Licensing

System will allow pre-filling of data by searching the database and displaying all pertinent data associated to any given TIN, as well as for Debt Collection purposes. It will also improve and lessen the burden of the volume of data the public will have to enter for later filings. Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TINS) will not be displayed to the public. Additionally, we have updated the privacy act and public burden statements and the FAA Regional Office names and addresses.

The number of respondents is not being adjusted due to the new form. Antenna structure owners will be required to file either the current form or the new form, depending upon the timeframe in which the Antenna Structure Registration database is converted to ULS. Owners will be required to file the current form 854 until such time as a public notice is issued announcing conversion to ULS and requirements to begin using the Form 854ULS. Once Antenna Structure Registration is implemented in ULS, the current Form 854 process will no longer be available.

The estimated burden per form remains at 30 minutes. As users of ULS become more familiar with using the system, this burden estimate may need to be adjusted to reflect the electronic filing process. We encourage the use of electronic filing for antenna structure registration. ULS will provide many enhancements which are not available in the current interactive/electronic filing process.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

July 1, 1998.

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(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 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, 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 information techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before August 7, 1998. 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.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0360.
Title: Section 80.409(c), Public coast station logs.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business and other for-profit entities; Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 316.

Estimated Time Per Response: 95 hours.

Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping requirement; On occasion reporting requirement.

Cost to Respondents: \$0.

Total Annual Burden: 30,020 hours.

Needs and Uses: The recordkeeping requirement contained in this rule section is necessary to document the operation and public correspondence service of public coast radio telegraph, public coast radiotelephone stations, and Alaska-public fixed stations, including the logging of distress and safety calls where applicable. A retention period of more than one year is required where a log involves communications relating to a disaster, an investigation, or any claim or complaint. If the information were not

collected, documentation concerning the above stations would not be available.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0364.

Title: Section 80.409 (d) and (e), Ship radiotelegraph logs, ship, radiotelephone logs.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business and other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 10,950 (10,150 compulsory equipped vessels + 800 high seas vessels).

Estimated Time Per Response: 47.3 hours.

Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping requirement; On occasion reporting requirement.

Cost to Respondents: \$0.

Total Annual Burden: 517,935 hours.

Needs and Uses: The recordkeeping requirement contained in these rule sections is necessary to document that compulsory radio equipped vessels and high seas vessels maintain listening watches and logs as required by statutes and treaties (including treaty requirements contained in Appendix 11 of the International Radio Regulations, Chapter IV, Regulation 19 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, the Bridge-to-Bridge Radio Telephone Act, the Great Lakes Agreement, and the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.) A retention period of more than one year is required where a log involves communications relating to a disaster, an investigation, or any claim or complaint. If the information were not collected, documentation concerning station operations would not be available and treaty requirements would not be complied with.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting; FCC To Hold Open Commission Meeting Thursday, July 9, 1998

July 2, 1998.

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Thursday, July 9, 1998, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. in

Room 856, at 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Item No./Bureau	Subject
1. Cable Services.	Title: Carriage of the Transmissions of Digital Television Broadcast Stations; and Amendments to Part 76 of the Commission's Rules. Summary: The Commission will consider issues relating to the carriage of digital broadcast television stations by cable operators.
2. Common Carrier.	Title: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Amendment of Rules Governing Procedures to Be Followed When Formal Complaints are Filed Against Common Carriers (CC Docket No. 96-238). Summary: The Commission will consider action concerning procedures to create an accelerated docket to handle certain formal complaints filed against common carriers.

After consideration of these items, the Commission will hold an *en banc* presentation regarding provision of advanced services and expanded bandwidth under Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. A Public Notice announcing this *en banc* hearing was issued June 30, 1998.

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Maureen Peratino or David Fiske, Office of Public Affairs, telephone number (202) 418-0500; TTY (202) 418-2555.

Copies of materials adopted at this meeting can be purchased from the FCC's duplicating contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) at (202) 857-3800; fax (202) 857-3805 and 857-3184; or TTY (202) 293-8810. These copies are available in paper format and alternative media, including large print/type; digital disk; and audio tape. ITS may be reached by e-mail: its_inc@ix.netcom.com. Their Internet address is <http://www.itsi.com>.

This meeting can be viewed over George Mason University's Capitol Connection. For information on this service call (703) 993-3100. The audio portion of the meeting will be broadcast live on the Internet via the FCC's Internet audio broadcast page at <<http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/>>. The meeting can also be heard via telephone, for a fee, from National Narrowcast Network, telephone (202) 966-2211 or fax (202)