

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**Notice of Public Information Collection(s) being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission****July 30, 1998**

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commissions, 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, 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, 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: Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments October 6, 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.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commissions, 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: 3060-0541.

Title: Transmittal Sheet for Phase 2 Cellular Applications for Unserved Areas.

Form Number: FCC 464-A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities; Small businesses or organizations.

Number of Respondents: 600.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes (0.166 hours).

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 100 hours.

Estimated Cost To Respondents: \$0.

Needs and Uses: The information collected will be used by the Commission to determine whether the applicant is qualified legally, technically, and financially to be licensed as a cellular operator. Without such information, the Commission could not determine whether to issue licenses to the applicants that provide telecommunication services to the public and therefore fulfill its statutory responsibilities in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. The transmittal sheet, filed in conjunction with FCC Form 600, facilitates application intake and other processing functions. The applicant must certify on the form that the application is complete in every respect and contains all the information required by the Commission's cellular rules. The data collected are required by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and Commission Rules 22.105.

The form has been revised to delete the payment information previously required. Any payment to the FCC now requires the filing of a Fee Remittance Advice, FCC Form 159, which duplicates this information.

Additionally, we have re-evaluated the number of receipts which reflects a significant decrease from 10,000 to 600 respondents. This is attributed to the majority of the cellular market being filled and applications being filed relate to maintenance of those licenses. The burden per respondent remains at 10 minutes, making the total annual burden an estimated 100 hours.

OMB Approval Number: 3060-0054.

Title: Application for Exemption From Ship Station Requirements.

Form Number: FCC 820.

Type of Review: Revision to a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities; Small businesses or organizations; Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour and 10 minutes (1.166 hours).

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirements.

Total Annual Burden: 233 hours.

Estimated Cost To Respondents: \$0.

Needs and Uses: FCC Rules require this collection of information when

exemptions from radio provisions of statute, treaty or international agreement are requested. The data are used by examiners to determine the applicants qualifications for the requested exemption.

The data collected are required by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended; International Treaties and FCC Rules 47 CFR 1.922, 80.19 and 80.59.

This form is being revised to delete the payment information previously required. Any payment to the FCC must be accompanied by a Fee Remittance Advice, FCC Form 159, which duplicates this information. We have added a space for the applicant to provide an E-Mail address where the Commission can send E-Mail regarding the application. Instructions have been updated to reflect current mailing address and phone information for the Commission.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**Open Meeting of the Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services (FICEMS).**

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: FEMA announces the following open meeting.

Name: Federal Interagency Committee on Emergency Medical Services (FICEMS).

Date of Meeting: September 3, 1998.

Place: United States Department of Transportation Headquarters, 400 Seventh Street S.W., room 8236-40, Washington, DC 20590.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Proposed Agenda: Review and submission for approval of previous FICEMS Committee Meeting Minutes; Ambulance Design Subcommittee and Technology Subcommittee Reports; presentation of member agency reports; reports of other Interested parties.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting will be open to the public with limited seating available on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the general public who plan to attend the meeting should contact William Troup, United States Fire Administration, 16825 South Seton Avenue,

Emmitsburg, Maryland 21727, (telephone) (301) 447-1231, (e-mail) bill.troup@fema.gov, on or before Monday, August 31, 1998.

Minutes of the meeting will be prepared and will be available upon request 30 days after they have been approved at the next FICEMS Committee Meeting on December 3, 1998.

Dated: July 31, 1998.

Carrye B. Brown,

U.S. Fire Administrator.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

[No. 98-N-6]

Federal Home Loan Banks' Mortgage Partnership Finance Pilot Programs

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for comment.

SUMMARY: In December 1996, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board) authorized the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLBank) of Chicago to establish a pilot program, called "Mortgage Partnership Finance" (MPF), under which the FHLBank of Chicago may purchase from, or fund through, participating member institutions up to \$750 million of one-to-four family residential mortgage loans originated by such members. MPF allocates the individual risk components associated with home mortgage lending between the FHLBank and its members in a manner that uses the cooperative structure of the FHLBank System to maximize their respective core competencies. See 62 FR 5828, 5830-31 (Feb. 7, 1997) (describing in detail the MPF program). There has been a strong and increasing level of demand for MPF from members of the FHLBank of Chicago during the year that the pilot program has been in operation.

Several other FHLBanks have indicated interest in seeking Finance Board approval to offer pilot MPF programs to their members. Accordingly, Finance Board staff currently is preparing recommendations for the Board of Directors of the Finance Board regarding the establishment of terms and conditions pursuant to which any FHLBank may be permitted to offer MPF to its members on a pilot basis and under which the \$750 million cap on MPF may be modified. Specifically, staff is considering the establishment of terms and conditions regarding: national

or regional pricing; FHLBank capital requirements or other standards to manage the credit risk that may arise in conjunction with the larger volumes of MPF product that could result from an expansion of the program; the capacity of the existing MPF system to handle larger volumes of transactions; the degree to which MPF should be targeted to, or have performance goals established with respect to, particular populations or areas; and the criteria by which the success of the program will be evaluated. In addition, staff is contemplating recommending that the Board of Directors of the Finance Board modify the existing MPF dollar cap to meet member demand and to facilitate adding other FHLBanks to the program on a pilot basis. As part of these efforts, and consistent with its published Policy and Procedures for Pilot Proposals (Pilot Procedures), see 62 FR 63178 (Nov. 26, 1997), Finance Board staff is hereby giving notice of impending Finance Board action and offering an opportunity for public comment regarding the establishment of approval procedures and criteria, terms and conditions for pilot program operation, and modifications to the dollar limit on FHLBank System-wide MPF investments. Pursuant to the Pilot Procedures, the Board of Directors of the Finance Board will not act on these matters earlier than 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Finance Board staff is not contemplating a recommendation that the MPF program be authorized to move beyond the pilot phase at this time. Staff anticipates recommending to the Board of Directors of the Finance Board that the FHLBank of Chicago and other FHLBanks that may gain approval to offer MPF to their members should continue to be monitored and evaluated by the Finance Board for compliance of MPF programs with the pilot program criteria set forth in section II.B.12 of the Finance Board's Financial Management Policy for the FHLBanks and with any other criteria that may be established pursuant to the action of the Board of Directors of the Finance Board.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments to Elaine L. Baker, Executive Secretary, Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006. Comments will be available for inspection at this address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott L. Smith, Deputy Director, Program Development Division, Office of Policy, (202) 408-2991, Federal

Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

William W. Ginsberg,

Managing Director.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATES: 10:00 a.m.—August 12, 1998.

PLACE: 800 North Capitol Street, N.W.—Room 904, Washington, D.C.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTER(S) TO BE CONSIDERED: 1. Shipping Restrictions in the U.S.-China Trade.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Joseph C. Polking, Secretary, (202) 523-5725.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisitions of Shares of Banks or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than August 21, 1998.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (Philip Jackson, Applications Officer) 230 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60690-1413:

1. *Karl William Knock*, Creston, Iowa; to acquire additional voting shares of Union-Adams Bancorp., Creston, Iowa, and thereby indirectly acquire Iowa State Savings Bank, Creston, Iowa.