

Number of Respondents: 635,738.

Estimated Time Per Response: 0.5 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement and recordkeeping requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 317,869.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Needs and Uses: The Federal Communications Commission, in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, is required to assess and collect regulatory fees from its licensees and regulatees in order to recover its costs incurred in conducting enforcement, policy, and rulemaking, international and user information activities.

The purpose for the instant requirements are to: (1) facilitate the statutory provision that non-profit entities be exempt from payment of regulatory fees, and (2) facilitate the FCC's ability to audit regulatory fee payment compliance in the Commercial Mobile Radio Services (CMRS) industry.

In order to develop a Schedule of Regulatory Fees, the FCC must as accurately as possible estimate the number of payment units and distribute the costs. These estimates must be adjusted to account for any licensees or regulatees that are exempt from payment of regulatory fees. Therefore, the FCC is requiring all licensees and regulatees that claim exemption as a non-profit entity to provide one time documentation sufficient to establish their non-profit status. Further, the FCC is requesting that it be similarly notified if for any reason that status changes. This documentation will likely take the form of an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Determination Letter, a state charter indicating non-profit status, proof of church affiliation, et al.

In order to facilitate audits of regulatory fee payment compliance in the CMRS industry, the FCC must require these licensees to submit, upon request, business data they relied upon to calculate the amount of the aggregate regulatory fees owed.

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

January 25, 1999.

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 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 March 11, 1999. 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, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554 or via the 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 the Internet at lesmith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-XXXX.

Title: Section 95.833, Construction Requirements.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: New collection.

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

Number of Respondents: 900.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.
Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping: On occasion reporting requirements within 5 and 10 years of license grant; Third party disclosure.

Total Annual Burden: 900 hours.

Total Annual Costs: \$0.

Needs and Uses: The requirement contained in Section 95.833 is necessary for 218-219 MHz service system licensees to file a report within five and ten years of license grant to demonstrate that they provide substantial service to its service areas. This collection, which is currently in the rules, has been waived by an Order released on January 14, 1998, (DA 98-59), for all licensees pending resolution of the construction requirement by the current Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, WT Docket No. 98-169, FCC 98-228. No collection has been made. The NPRM proposes to reduce the regulatory burden on licensees by extending the filing of a report from three years to five years. The information is used by the Commission staff to assess compliance with 218-219 MHz Service construction requirements, and to provide adequate spectrum for the service. This will facilitate spectrum efficiency and competition by the 218-219 MHz Service licensees in the wireless marketplace. Without this information, the FCC would not be able to carry out its statutory responsibilities.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Public Safety National Coordination Committee

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of advisory committee establishment.

SUMMARY: The Public Safety and Private Wireless Division released this Public Notice advising of the establishment by the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, of a Public Safety National Coordination Committee ("NCC") to advise the Commission on a variety of issues relating to the use of 24 MHz of spectrum in the 764-776/794-806 MHz frequency bands (collectively, the 700 MHz band) that has been reallocated for public safety use. The Public Notice invites interested persons

to become members and to participate in the NCC's processes, with members serving either as representatives of organizations or as experts in an individual capacity.

DATES: Persons interested in becoming a member of the NCC must apply by telephone, by facsimile, or by electronic mail on or before February 26, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Joy Alford, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Telephone No. (202) 418-0680, Facsimile No. (202) 418-2643, or e-mail: jalford@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: D'wana R. Terry, FCC (202-418-0680), Designated Federal Official of the Public Safety National Coordination Committee.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Following is the complete text of the Public Notice: The FCC has established a Public Safety National Coordination Committee. In a Report and Order adopted in December 1997, the Commission reallocated 24 MHz of spectrum to public safety as part of digital television transition (700 MHz public safety spectrum) in an effort to meet the Nation's critical need for state-of-the-art communications systems and reliable interoperability between local, state and federal public safety authorities. See *Reallocation of Television Channels 60-69, the 746-806 MHz Band*, ET Docket No. 97-157, *Report and Order*, 12 FCC Rcd 22,953 (1997). In August 1998, the Commission adopted a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking creating service and licensing rules for the 700 MHz public safety spectrum. See *The Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements For Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Agency Communications Requirements Through the Year 2010 and Establishment of Rules and Requirements For Priority Access Service*, WT Docket No. 96-86, *First Report and Order and Third Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 98-191 (1998) (*First Report and Order*). In the *First Report and Order*, the Commission established the service rules for the 24 MHz of spectrum in the 764-776/794-806 MHz frequency bands (collectively, the 700 MHz band) that the Commission had earlier reallocated to public safety services. As part of this action, the Commission called for the creation of the NCC, to be established pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, to advise the Commission on a variety of issues relating to the use of this spectrum. The

major responsibilities of the NCC will be to:

(1) Formulate and submit for Commission review and approval an operational plan to achieve national interoperability that includes a shared or priority system among users of the interoperability spectrum (i.e., spectrum in the 700 MHz band specifically designated for interoperability use as well as spectrum in other frequency bands so designated) for both day-to-day and emergency operations and, in this connection, recommendations regarding Federal Government users' access to the interoperability spectrum;

(2) Recommend technical standards to achieve full interoperability and network integration, including digital modulation, trunking, and receiver standards, network redundancy/reliability and whatever other technical capabilities are found necessary to provide local, state and federal governments with an interoperable network to meet public safety needs into the next century;

(3) Recommend to the Commission whether the Commission should take action to require trunking on all or a portion of the nationwide interoperability spectrum is needed;

(4) Formulate and submit for Commission review and approval a set of recommendations for the use of interoperability spectrum, including recommendations for Federal Government users' access, that will allow public safety licensees to make use of such spectrum until final rules are developed;

(5) Provide policy recommendations on an advisory basis to the regional planning committees in order to ensure the development of coordinated regional plans; and

(6) Provide recommendations on other technology, telecommunications and public policy matters that relate to the expedited planning and deployment of a nationwide interoperable and reliable public safety and emergency responsiveness network.

The establishment of the committee is in the public interest.

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, this notice advises interested persons of the establishment of the National Coordination Committee and solicits membership for the NCC.

The Public Safety National Coordination Committee will have an open membership. All interested parties are invited to become members and to participate in the Committee's processes. We are soliciting membership from local, state and federal public safety agencies, including those

individuals responsible for emergency responsiveness, planning, resource management and policy development. In addition, we are soliciting membership from all elements of the manufacturing, technology, public policy, network reliability/design and service provider communities, including representatives with expertise in the planning and design of telecommunications networks that meet public safety and emergency responsiveness needs. We believe that the broad range of representation from the various sectors from which we are soliciting NCC membership will ensure balanced participation.

Members will serve either as representatives of organizations or as experts in an individual capacity. Further, members of the NCC not employed by the Federal Government will serve without compensation from the Federal Government. We nonetheless note that reimbursement may be available on a case-by-case basis upon a demonstration of need. If you are interested in becoming a member of the NCC, please contact Joy Alford of the Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau of the FCC on or before February 26, 1999, by calling (202) 418-0680, faxing (202) 418-2643, or replying by e-mail to jalford@fcc.gov. Please provide your name, the organization you represent, your mailing address, your phone number and fax number.

For Further Information Contact: D'wana R. Terry, FCC (202-418-0680), Designated Federal Officer of the Public Safety National Coordination Committee.

Federal Communications Commission.

D'wana R. Terry,

Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 99-231]

Emergency Alert System National Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: On January 28, 1999, the Commission released a public notice announcing the February 26, 1999,