

the federal Universal Service Fund (USF) based on all interstate and international revenue, except for revenue from the sale of prepaid calling cards by, to, or pursuant to contract with the Department of Defense (DoD) or a DoD entity.

The Commission has found that prepaid calling card providers are telecommunications service providers and therefore are subject to all of the regulations imposed on telecommunications service providers, including contributing to the USF. See FCC 06-79, WC Docket No. 05-68.

The Commission adopted new reporting and certification requirements to obtain information necessary to evaluate whether all prepaid calling card providers are properly contributing to the USF, pursuant to section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. All prepaid calling card providers will now have to maintain records and report on a quarterly basis, the percentage of interstate, intrastate and international traffic and call volumes to carriers from which they purchase transport services. The Commission believes that its reporting and certification requirements will not be burdensome for prepaid calling card providers, as they need to track such information for their own internal business purposes.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0743.

*Title:* Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-128.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 4,471 respondents; 10,071 responses.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* .50-100 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion, quarterly and monthly reporting requirements, recordkeeping requirement and third party disclosure requirement.

*Nature of Response:* Mandatory.

*Total Annual Burden:* 161,337 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* N/A.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* This collection will be submitted as an extension of a currently approved collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain the full three year clearance.

The Commission promulgated rules and reporting requirements implementing section 276 of the

Telecommunications Act of 1996. Among other things, the rules: (1) Establish fair compensation for every completed intrastate and interstate payphone calls; (2) discontinue intrastate and interstate access charge payphone service elements and payments, and intrastate and interstate payphone subsidies from basic exchange services; and (3) adopt guidelines for use by the states in establishing public interest payphones to be located where there would otherwise not be a payphone. The information collected is provided to third parties and to ensure that interexchange carriers, payphone service providers ("PSP") LECs, and the states comply with their obligations under the 1996 Act.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0745.

*Title:* Implementation of the Local Exchange Carrier Tariff Streamlining Provisions in the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-187.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 67 respondents; 159 responses.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1-55.9 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement, recordkeeping requirement and third party disclosure requirement.

*Nature of Response:* Mandatory.

*Total Annual Burden:* 4,028 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$775,000.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* This collection will be submitted as an extension (no change in reporting, recordkeeping or third party disclosure requirements) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain the full three year clearance.

In CC Docket No. 96-187, the Commission adopted measures to streamline tariff filing requirements for local exchange carriers (LECs) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. In order to achieve a streamlined and deregulatory environment for LEC tariff filings, LECs are required to file tariffs electronically. Other carriers are permitted to file their tariffs electronically. There are six information collection requirements under this OMB Control Number. They are: (1) Electronic filing requirement; (2) requirement that carriers desiring tariffs proposing decreases to be effective in seven days must be filed in separate transmittals; (3) requirement that carriers identify transmittals filed

pursuant to the streamlined provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; (4) requirement that price cap LECs file their Tariff Review Plans (TRPs) prior to filing their annual access tariffs; (5) petitions and replies; and (6) standard protective orders.

The information collected under the program of electronic filing will facilitate access to tariff and associated documents by the public, especially by interested persons who do not have ready access to the Commission's public reference room, and state and federal regulators. Ready electronic access to carrier tariffs should also facilitate the compilation of aggregate data for industry analysis purposes without imposing new reporting requirements on carriers. The Commission adopted its proposal to require that carriers desiring tariffs proposing rate decreases to be effective in seven days must be filed in a separate transmittal. This requirement will ensure that a tariff filing proposing a rate decrease is given the shortest notice period possible under the 1996 Act. The Commission also adopted the requirement that carriers identify transmittals filed pursuant to the streamlining provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. All of the requirements would be used to ensure that LECs comply with their obligations under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended and that the Commission be able to ensure compliance within the streamlined timeframes established by the 1996 Act.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority

November 7, 2006.

**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, 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:** Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments January 22, 2007. 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 PRA comments to Allison E. Zaleski, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-6466, or via fax at 202-395-5167, or via the Internet at [Allison\\_E.Zaleski@eop.omb.gov](mailto:Allison_E.Zaleski@eop.omb.gov) and to [Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov](mailto:Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov), Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Room 1-B441, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. To submit your comments by e-mail send them to: [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov). If you would like to obtain or view a copy of this information collection after the 60 day comment period, you may do so by visiting the FCC PRA Web page at: <http://www.fcc.gov/omd/pr>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information about the information collection(s) send an e-mail to [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) or contact Judith B. Herman at 202-418-0214.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0757.

*Title:* FCC Auctions Customer Survey.  
*Form No.:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Individuals or households and business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* .25 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 500 hours.

*Annual Cost Burden:* N/A.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* N/A.

**Needs and Uses:** This collection will be submitted as an extension (no change in reporting requirements) after this 60 day comment period to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in order to obtain the full three year clearance. There is no change in respondents or burden hours/costs.

Section 309(j) gives the Commission express authority to employ competitive bidding procedures to choose among mutually exclusive applications for initial licenses. Section 309(j)(3) of the Communications Act requires the Commission to establish a competitive bidding methodology for each class of licenses or permits that the Commission grants through the use of a competitive bidding system. The Commission is further directed to test alternative methodologies under appropriate circumstances in order to promote, among other things, "the development and rapid deployment of new technologies, products and services for the benefit of the public, including those residing in rural areas, without administrative or judicial delays." The Commission is likewise directed to promote "economic opportunity and competition, ensuring that new and innovative technologies are readily accessible to the American people by avoiding excess concentration of licenses and by disseminating licenses among a wide variety of applicants, including small businesses, rural telephone companies and businesses owned by members of minority groups and women." In addition, Section 309(j)(12) requires the Commission to evaluate the methodologies established by the Commission for conducting competitive bidding, comparing the advantages and disadvantages of such methodologies in terms of attaining these objectives.

The FCC Auctions Customer Survey is an important step in meeting these Congressional requirements. By seeking input from auction participants, the Commission expects to gather information to evaluate the effectiveness of competitive bidding methodologies used to date, and to improve the competitive bidding methodologies used in future auctions. Finally, the Commission Auctions Customer Survey will provide useful feedback in determining the extent to which the Commission is meeting its goal of providing participants in competitive bidding with the highest level of customer satisfaction through information dissemination and the responsiveness of the Commission staff to customer inquiries. The information in the FCC Auctions Customer Survey is voluntary. The customer survey will be

conducted by mail and will include all participants in completed auctions. Respondents may return the survey information by mail, fax, telephone, etc. The survey will be conducted by contracted staff and will occur at the end of an auction. Contracted staff will also record responses received on the survey. In the alternative, customer surveys may be conducted by posting the survey either on the Commission's electronic computer auction system or on the Internet. Responses will be received electronically, either via the Commission's electronic computer auction system or via the Internet. Those bidders who do not participate in the Commission's auction by computer will be polled by mail. The decision of which alternative to employ in each information collection will be based on an analysis of maximizing convenience and minimizing burden for participants. Information technology will be used to the maximum extent consistent with this standard.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission, Comments Requested

November 9, 2006.

**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 (PRA) 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 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