

and Order in the Matter of Digital Television Distributed Transmission System Technologies; MB Docket No. 05–312, FCC 08–256 (released Nov. 7, 2008). In this Report and Order, the Commission adopts rules for the use of distributed transmission system (“DTS”) technologies in the digital television (“DTV”) service. See 47 CFR 73.626. DTS technology allows stations to employ multiple synchronized transmitters spread around a station’s service area, rather than the current single-transmitter approach. Each transmitter would broadcast the station’s DTV signal on the same channel, similar to analog TV booster stations but more efficiently. Due to the synchronization of the transmitted signals, DTV receivers should be able to treat the multiple signals as reflections or “ghosts” and use “adaptive equalizer” circuitry to cancel or combine them to produce a single signal.

Congress has mandated that after June 12, 2009, full-power television broadcast stations must transmit only in digital signals, and may no longer transmit analog signals. Full power DTV stations will use DTS technologies to meet their statutory responsibilities and begin operations on their final, post-transition (digital) channels by their construction deadlines. DTS will provide DTV broadcasters with an important tool for providing optimum signal coverage for their viewers. For some broadcasters that are changing channels or transmitting locations for their digital service, DTS may offer the best option for continuing to provide over-the-air service to current analog viewers, as well as for reaching viewers that have historically been unable to receive a good signal due to terrain or other interference.

FCC Form 340 is being revised to accommodate the filing of DTS applications.

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

March 6, 2009.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden and as

required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the Federal Communications Commission invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the following information collection(s). 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; (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; and (e) ways to further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB 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 OMB control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before May 11, 2009. 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: Submit your comments by e-mail to PRA@fcc.gov. Include in the e-mail the OMB control number of the collection or, if there is no OMB control number, the Title shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below. If you are unable to submit your comments by e-mail, contact the person listed below to make alternate arrangements.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection(s) or to obtain a copy of the collection, send an e-mail to PRA@fcc.gov and include the collection’s OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below (or the title of the collection if there is no OMB control number), or call or contact Judith B. Herman at (202) 418–0214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
OMB Approval Number: 3060–0398.
Title: Sections 2.948 and 15.117(g)(2)—Equipment Authorization Measurement Standards.
Form No.: N/A.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents: 320.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 to 30 hours.

Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping requirement and every one and three years and on occasion reporting requirements.

Obligation To Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is Sections 4(i), 302, 303(c), 303(f), 303(g) and 303(r), and 309(a) of the Communications Act of 1934.

Total Annual Burden: 9,100 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Privacy Impact Assessment: N.A.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:

There is no need for confidentiality.

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

The Commission established uniform technical standards for various non-licensed equipment operating under the guidelines established in 47 CFR parts 15 and 19 of the Commission’s Rules, which include personal computers, garage door openers, baby monitors, microwave ovens, etc. In order to ensure that technical standards are applied uniformly to non-licensed equipment, the Commission requires standardized measurement procedures and practices be followed:

(1) 47 CFR Part 2 of the Commission’s rules require Electro-Magnetic Compatibility (EMC) testing facility that performs equipment testing in support of any request for equipment authorization to file a test site description, either with the Commission or with a Commission approved accrediting body;

(2) The test site description and the supporting information documents that the EMC testing facility complies with the testing standards used to make the measurements that support any request for equipment authorization; and

(3) In addition, the referenced 47 CFR part 15 rules require that equipment manufacturers file information concerning the testing of TV receivers, which tune to UHF channels, to show that the UHF channels provide approximately the same degree of tuning accuracy with approximately the same expenditure of time and effort.

The Commission or the accrediting body, e.g., EMC testing facility uses this information to ensure that data accompanying all requests for equipment authorization are valid, and that proper testing procedures are used. Testing ensures that potential interference to radio communications is controlled, and if necessary, the data may be used for investigating complaints of harmful interference, or for verifying the manufacturer's compliance with FCC rules.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Submitted for Review to the Office of Management and Budget, Comments Requested

March 6, 2009.

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, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520. 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 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before April 13, 2009. If you anticipate that you will be submitting PRA comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should

advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget, (202) 395-5887, or via fax at 202-395-5167 or via Internet at Nicholas_A.Fraser@omb.eop.gov and to Judith_B.Herman@fcc.gov, Federal Communications Commission, or an e-mail to PRA@fcc.gov. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) Go to the Web page <http://reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>, (2) look for the section of the web page called "Currently Under Review", (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the "Select Agency" box below the "Currently Under Review" heading, (4) select "Federal Communications Commission" from the list of agencies presented in the "Select Agency" box, (5) click the "Submit" button to the right of the "Select Agency" box, and (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the title of this ICR (or its OMB Control Number, if there is one) and then click on the ICR Reference Number to view detailed information about this ICR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection(s), contact Judith B. Herman at 202-418-0214 or via the Internet at Judith-B.Herman@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0848.
Title: Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability, CC Docket No. 98-147.

Form Number: N/A.
Type of Review: Revision of an existing collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 1,400 respondents; 17,340 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: .50-26 hours.

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

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 201 and 251 of the Communications Act of 1934.

Total Annual Burden: 61,490 hours.
Total Annual Cost: None.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: The Commission is not requesting respondents to submit confidential

information. Any respondent who submits information to the Commission that they believe is confidential, may request confidential treatment of such information under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

Needs and Uses: The reporting, recordkeeping and third party disclosure requirements implement sections 201 and 251 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to provide for physical collocation on rates, terms and conditions that are just, reasonable and nondiscriminatory, and to promote deployment of advanced services without significantly degrading the performance of other services. All the requirements will be used by the Commission and competitive local exchange carriers (LECs) to facilitate the deployment of telecommunications services, including advanced telecommunications services.

OMB Control Number: 3060-0645.

Title: Section 17.4, Antenna Structure Registration.

Form No.: Not applicable.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, and state, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 25,600 respondents; 40,565 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: .1-0.05 hours.

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

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 154, 301, and 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 40,329 hours.
Total Annual Cost: \$3,200,000.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality.

Needs and Uses: The Commission requesting an extension (no change in reporting, recordkeeping and/or third party disclosure requirements) in order to obtain the full three year clearance from the OMB.

There is no change in respondents/responses, burden hours and/or annual costs.

The requirements in Part 17 are necessary to implement a uniform registration process for owners of antenna structures. The following are the information collection requirements:

- Antenna structure owners are required to provide tenant licensees with a copy of the antenna registration;