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**CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE****45 CFR Part 2507**

RIN 3045-AA59

**Procedures for Disclosure of Records Under the Freedom of Information Act; Correction****AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.**ACTION:** Final rule; correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (operating as AmeriCorps) is correcting a final rule that appeared in the **Federal Register** on September 9, 2022. The document finalized updates to AmeriCorps regulations for processing requests for records under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to reflect changes made in the FOIA Improvement Act of 2016 and to make the regulations more user friendly through plain language.

**DATES:** Effective October 11, 2022.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephanie Soper, AmeriCorps FOIA Officer, at 202-606-6747 or *ssoper@cns.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In FR Doc. 2022-19185 appearing on page 55305 in the **Federal Register** of Friday, September 9, 2022, the following correction is made:

**§ 2507.14 [Corrected]**

■ 1. On page 55314, in the second column, in § 2507.14, the second paragraph (f) is redesignated as paragraph (g).

**Fernando Laguarda,***General Counsel.*

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION****47 CFR Part 54****[WC Docket No. 18-89; FCC 20-176; FR ID 104232]****Protecting National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs****AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.**ACTION:** Final rule; announcement of effective date.

**SUMMARY:** In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, for a period of three years, an information collection associated with the rules for the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 contained in the Commission's *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs Order*, FCC 20-176. This document is consistent with the *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs Order*, which stated that the Commission would publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date of the new information collection requirements.

**DATES:** The addition of § 54.11 published at 86 FR 2904, January 13, 2021, is effective September 21, 2022.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jesse Jachman, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-7400 or TTY (202) 418-0484. For additional information concerning the Paperwork Reduction Act information collection requirements contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418-2991 or via email: *Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission submitted revised information collection requirements for review and approval by OMB, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, on June 1, 2022, which were approved by OMB on July 5, 2022. The information collection requirements are contained in the Commission's *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs Order*, FCC 20-176 published at 86 FR 2904, January 13, 2021. The OMB Control Number is 3060-0986. If you have any comments on the burden estimates listed in the following, or how the Commission can improve the collections and reduce any burdens caused thereby, please contact

Nicole Ongele, Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. Please include the OMB Control Number, 3060-0986, in your correspondence. The Commission will also accept your comments via email at *PRA@fcc.gov*.

To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

**Synopsis**

As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), the Commission is notifying the public that it received OMB approval on July 5, 2022, for the information collection requirements contained in 47 CFR 54.11 published at 86 FR 2904, January 13, 2021. Under 5 CFR part 1320, an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current, 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 current, valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Number is 3060-0986.

The foregoing notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, October 1, 1995, and 44 U.S.C. 3507.

The total annual reporting burdens and costs for the respondents are as follows:

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0986.

*OMB Approval Date:* July 5, 2022.

*OMB Expiration Date:* July 31, 2025.

*Title:* High-Cost Universal Service Support.

*Form Number:* FCC Form 481 and FCC Form 525.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions and State, Local or Tribal Government.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 2,229 respondents; 13,804 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 0.1-15 hours.

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

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 151-154, 155, 201-206, 214, 218-220, 251, 252, 254,

256, 303(r), 332, 403, 405, 410, and 1302.

*Total Annual Burden:* 50,857 hours.  
*Total Annual Cost:* No Cost.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* No impact(s).

*Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:*

The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) notes that the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC or Administrator) must preserve the confidentiality of all data obtained from respondents and contributors to the universal service support program mechanism; must not use the data except for purposes of administering the universal service program; and must not disclose data in company-specific form unless directed to do so by the Commission. Parties may submit confidential information in relation pursuant to a protective order. Also, respondents may request materials or information submitted to the Commission or to the Administrator believed confidential to be withheld from public inspection under 47 CFR 0.459 of the FCC's rules.

*Needs and Uses:* On November 18, 2011, the Commission adopted an order reforming its high-cost universal service support mechanisms. *Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establish Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform—Mobility Fund*, WC Docket Nos. 10–90, 07–135, 05–337, 03–109; GN Docket No. 09–51; CC Docket Nos. 01–92, 96–45; WT Docket No. 10–208, Order (76 FR 73830 (Nov. 29, 2011)) and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (76 FR 78384 (Dec. 16, 2011)), 26 FCC Rcd 17663 (2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*). The Commission and Wireline Competition Bureau have since adopted a number of orders that implement the *USF/ICC Transformation Order*; see also *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Third Order on Reconsideration (77 FR 30904 (May 24, 2012)), 27 FCC Rcd 5622 (2012); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Order (77 FR 14297 (March 9, 2012)), 27 FCC Rcd 605 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2012); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Fifth Order on Reconsideration (78 FR 3837 (Jan. 17, 2013)), 27 FCC Rcd 14549 (2012); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Order (78 FR 22198 (April 15, 2013)), 28 FCC Rcd 2051 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2013); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC

Docket No. 10–90 et al., Order, 28 FCC Rcd 7227 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2013); *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10–90, Report and Order (78 FR 38227 (June 26, 2013)), 28 FCC Rcd 7766 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2013); *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10–90, Report and Order (78 FR 32991 (June 3, 2013)), 28 FCC Rcd 7211 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2013); *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10–90, Report and Order (78 FR 48622 (Aug. 9, 2013)), 28 FCC Rcd 10488 (Wireline Comp. Bur. 2013); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Report and Order, Order and Order on Reconsideration (81 FR 24282 (April 25, 2016)) and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (81 FR 21511 (April 12, 2016)), 31 FCC Rcd 3087 (2016); *Connect America Fund, et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90, et al., Report and Order (81 FR 44414 (July 7, 2016)) and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (81 FR 40235 (June 21, 2016)), 31 FCC Rcd 5949 (2016); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket Nos. 10–90, 16–271; WT Docket No. 10–208, Report and Order (81 FR 69696 (Oct. 7, 2016)) and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (81 FR 69772 (Oct. 7, 2016)), 31 FCC Rcd 10139 (2016); *Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket Nos. 10–90, 14–58, Order, 32 FCC Rcd 968 (2017); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10–90 et al., Report and Order (84 FR 4711 (Feb. 19, 2019)), Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (84 FR 2132 (Feb. 6, 2019)), and Order on Reconsideration (84 FR 4711 (Feb. 19, 2019)), 33 FCC Rcd 11893 (2018); *Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket Nos. 10–90, 14–58, Report and Order (82 FR 39966 (Aug. 23, 2017)), 32 FCC Rcd 5944 (2017).

In 2019, the Commission adopted an order establishing a separate, parallel high-cost program for the U.S. territories suffering extensive infrastructure damage due to Hurricanes Irma and Maria. *The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund, et al.*, WC Docket No. 18–143, et al., Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration (84 FR 59937 (Nov. 7, 2019)), 34 FCC Rcd 9109 (2019) (*Puerto Rico and USVI Stage 2 Order*). Also, in the *2019 Supply Chain Order* (85 FR 230 (Jan. 3, 2020)), the Commission adopted a rule prohibiting the use of Universal Service Fund (USF) support, including high-cost universal service support, to purchase or obtain any equipment or services produced or provided by a covered company posing a national security threat to the integrity of

communications networks or the communications supply chain. *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs*, WC Docket No. 18–89, Report and Order (85 FR 230 (Jan. 3, 2020)), Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (85 FR 277 (Jan. 3, 2020)), and Order (85 FR 230 (Jan. 3, 2020)), 34 FCC Rcd 11423, 11433, para. 26. See also 47 CFR 54.9.

Through several orders, the Commission has changed, modified, and eliminated certain reporting obligations for high-cost support. These changes are outlined in the following:

On January 30, 2020, the Commission adopted an order establishing the framework for the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF), building on the successful Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase II auction. *Rural Digital Opportunity Fund; Connect America Fund*, WC Docket Nos. 19–126 and 10–90, Report and Order (85 FR 13773 (March 10, 2020)), 35 FCC Rcd 686 (2020) (*RDOF Order*). The RDOF represents the Commission's single biggest step to close the digital divide by providing up to \$20.4 billion to connect millions more rural homes and small businesses to high-speed broadband networks. In the *RDOF Order*, “[t]o ensure that support recipients are meeting their deployment obligations,” the Commission “adopt[ed] essentially the same reporting requirements for the RDOF that the Commission adopted for the CAF Phase II auction.” *Id.* at 712, para. 56.

In the *2020 Supply Chain Order*, the Commission adopted two additional supply chain rules associated with newly required certifications. *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs*, WC Docket No. 18–89, Second Report and Order (86 FR 2904 (Jan. 13, 2021)), 35 FCC Rcd 14284 (2020) (*2020 Supply Chain Order*). First, the Commission adopted a rule, 47 CFR 54.10, prohibiting the use of a Federal subsidy made available through a program administered by the Commission that provides funds to be used for the capital expenditures necessary for the provision of advanced communications services to purchase, rent, lease, or otherwise obtain, any covered communications equipment or service, or maintain any covered communications equipment or service previously purchased, rented, leased, or otherwise obtained. Second, the Commission adopted a rule, 47 CFR 54.11, which requires each eligible telecommunications carrier receiving universal service fund support to remove and replace all covered

communications equipment and services from their networks, and subsequently certify prior to receiving a funding commitment or support that it does not use covered communications equipment or services. The Commission also adopted procedures, consistent with the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 (Pub. L. 116–124), to identify such covered equipment and services and publish a Covered List. That list was published March 12, 2021 and will be updated as needed.

In the *Rate Floor Repeal Order*, the Commission decided to “eliminate the rate floor and, following a one-year period of monitoring residential retail rates, eliminate the accompanying reporting obligations after July 1, 2020.” *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10–90, Order (84 FR 19874 (May 7, 2019)), 34 FCC Rcd 2621, 2621 para. 2 (2019) (*Rate Floor Repeal Order*); see also 47 CFR 54.313(h). As explained in the *Order*, the rate floor was “[i]ntended to guard against artificial subsidization of rural end user rates significantly below the national urban average” but, practically speaking, “increase[d] the telephone rates of rural subscribers . . . and individuals living on Tribal lands.” *Rate Floor Repeal Order*, 34 FCC Rcd at 2621 para. 1.

The Commission therefore revises this information collection, as well as the Form 481 and its accompanying instructions, to reflect these modified and eliminated requirements. Finally, the Commission increases the respondents associated with existing reporting requirements to account for additional carriers that will be subject to those requirements.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene Dortch,**

*Secretary, Office of the Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 64

[CG Docket Nos. 03–123, 10–51, 13–24; FCC 22–51; FR ID 104192]

### VRS and IP CTS—Commencement of Service Pending User Registration

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) adopts a two-week “grace period” to allow Video Relay Service

(VRS) and Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service (IP CTS) providers to commence service to new or porting-in users while the user’s identity is verified by the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) User Registration Database. These actions will increase the efficiency of the registration process, avoid unnecessary service delays, and ensure that TRS users’ experience in ordering new service or porting service to a new TRS provider is comparable to that of voice telephone service users.

**DATES:** The rules are effective October 21, 2022, except for the amendments to §§ 64.611 (amendatory instruction 3) and 64.615 (amendatory instruction 4), which are delayed. The Commission will publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective dates.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Wallace, Disability Rights Office, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, at 202–418–2716, or [William.Wallace@fcc.gov](mailto:William.Wallace@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission’s Report and Order, document FCC 22–51, adopted June 28, 2022, released June 30, 2022, in CG Docket Nos. 03–123, 10–51, and 13–24. The Commission sought comment on the two-week grace period issue in *Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CG Docket Nos. 13–24 and 03–123, published at 84 FR 9276, March 14, 2019 (*2019 IP CTS Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM)*) and in *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CG Docket Nos. 10–51 and 03–123, published at 84 FR 26379, June 6, 2019 (*2019 VRS FNPRM*).

The full text of document FCC 22–51 can be accessed electronically via the FCC’s Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) website at [www.fcc.gov/edocs](http://www.fcc.gov/edocs) or via the FCC’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) website at [www.fcc.gov/ecfs](http://www.fcc.gov/ecfs). To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov), or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice) or (202) 418–0432 (TTY).

## Synopsis

1. *User Registration and Verification.* TRS are telephone transmission services that enable people with speech or hearing disabilities to communicate by wire or radio in a manner that is functionally equivalent to communication using voice services. Under section 225 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), 47 U.S.C. 225, the Commission must ensure that TRS are available “to the extent possible and in the most efficient manner” to persons “in the United States” who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deafblind or who have speech disabilities, so that they can communicate by telephone in a manner that is functionally equivalent to voice communication service. VRS, a form of TRS, enables people with hearing or speech disabilities who use sign language to make telephone calls over a broadband connection using a video communication device. The video link allows a communications assistant (CA) to view and interpret the party’s signed conversation and relay the conversation back and forth with a voice caller. IP CTS, another form of TRS, permits a person with hearing loss to have a telephone conversation while reading captions of what the other party is saying on an internet-connected device.

2. Before commencing service to a subscriber, a VRS or IP CTS provider must register the user by collecting certain identifying information, as well as a signed self-certification of eligibility for TRS. In addition, registration data for VRS users must be submitted to the Commission’s centralized TRS User Registration Database (User Database or Database). IP CTS user registration data also will be submitted and maintained in the Database once it is activated for that purpose. Upon receiving the registration data for a newly registered TRS user, the Database administrator verifies the user’s identity. Providers are prohibited from seeking compensation for service to users who do not pass this identity verification check.

3. Although User Database registration is usually completed within hours of data submission, it may take longer if the administrator’s initial attempt to verify a registrant’s identity is unsuccessful, requiring the provider to obtain corrected information or additional documentation from the registrant. The two-week “grace period” will allow VRS and IP CTS providers to immediately begin serving new or porting-in users without waiting for the verification process to complete, thereby promoting the availability and