

Consultation and Determination of Appropriateness

Consultations

EXIM identified the DOE CE that could apply to EXIM's proposed actions and consulted with DOE in September 2023. During this consultation, the agencies discussed whether the categories of EXIM proposed actions would be appropriately covered by the DOE CE; the extraordinary circumstances that EXIM should consider before applying the CE to EXIM's proposed actions; and the requirement to evaluate the conditions listed as integral elements in DOE's regulations (10 CFR 1021, subpart D, appendix B (1)–(5)). The agencies also discussed DOE's past use of the CE.

At the conclusion of that process, the agencies determined that EXIM's proposed use of the CE as described in this notice would be appropriate because the categories of actions for which EXIM plans to use the CE are consistent with the DOE CE.

Notice to the Public and Documentation of the Adoption

This notice serves to identify to the public and document EXIM's adoption of DOE's CE. The notice identifies the types of actions to which EXIM will apply the CE, as well as the considerations that EXIM will use in determining whether an action is within the scope of the CE.

Scott Condren,

Vice President, Policy Analysis.

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EXPORT-IMPORT BANK

[Public Notice: 2023–6050]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Application for Equity Express Select Insurance

AGENCY: Export-Import Bank of the United States.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Export-Import Banks of the United States (EXIM), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to comment on the proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 8, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically on WWW.REGULATIONS.GOV (EIB 10–02) or by email Jennifer.Krause@exim.gov, or by mail to Jennifer Krause, Export-Import Bank of the United States, 811 Vermont Ave. NW Washington, DC.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information, please contact Jennifer Krause, Jennifer.Krause@exim.gov, 305–526–7436 x24.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This form is used by an exporter (or broker acting on its behalf) in order to obtain approval for coverage of the repayment risk of export sales. The information received allows EXIM staff to make a determination of the eligibility of the applicant and the creditworthiness of one of the applicant's foreign buyers for EXIM assistance under its programs.

The application tool can be reviewed at: <https://img.exim.gov/s3fs-public/pub/pending/eib23-02.pdf>.

Title and Form Number: EIB 23–02, Application for Equity Express Select Insurance.

OMB Number: 3048–XXXX.

Type of Review: Regular.

Need and Use:

This is the application form for use by underserved U.S. businesses with limited export experience. Companies that are eligible to use the Equity Express Select policy will need to answer approximately 20 questions and sign an acknowledgement of the certifications that appear on the reverse of the application form. This program does not provide discretionary credit authority to the U.S. exporter, and therefore the financial and credit information needs are minimized.

Affected Public: This form affects entities involved in the export of U.S. goods and services.

Annual Number of Respondents: 500.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 0.25 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 125 hours.

Frequency of Reporting of Use: Once per year.

Dated: November 3, 2023.

Kalesha Malloy,

IT Specialist and Privacy Officer.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060–1222; FR ID 183730]

Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.”

The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted on or before December 11, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Your comment must be submitted into www.reginfo.gov per the above instructions for it to be considered. In addition to submitting in www.reginfo.gov also send a copy of your comment on the proposed information collection to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email to PRA@fcc.gov and to Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov. Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418–2991. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) go to the web page <http://www.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, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the Title of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the FCC invited the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. 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 estimates; (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. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107–198, see 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4), the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.”

OMB Control Number: 3060–1222.

Title: Inmate Calling Services (ICS) Provider Annual Reporting, Certification, and Other Requirements, WC Docket Nos. 23–62, 12–375, DA 23–656.

Form Number(s): FCC Form 2301(a) and FCC Form 2301(b).

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 30 respondents; 33 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 5–1,200 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual reporting and certification requirements, third party disclosure and waiver request requirements.

Obligation to Respond: Mandatory. Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in sections 1, 2, 4(i)–(j), 5(c), 201(b), 218, 220, 225, 255, 276, 403, and 716 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 151, 152, 154(i)–(j), 155(c), 201(b), 218, 220, 225, 255, 276, 403, and 617, and the Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022, Public Law 117–338, 136 Stat. 6156.

Total Annual Burden: 6,690 hours.

Total Annual Cost: No cost.

Needs and Uses: In 2015, the Commission released the Second Report and Order and Third Notice of Further Proposed Rulemaking, WC Docket No. 12–375, 30 FCC Rcd 12763 (2015 ICS Order), in which it required that inmate calling services (ICS) providers file Annual Reports providing data and other information on their ICS operations, as well as Annual Certifications that reported data are complete and accurate and comply with the Commission’s ICS rules. Pursuant to the authority delegated it by the Commission in the 2015 ICS Order, the Wireline Competition Bureau (WCB) created a standardized reporting template (FCC Form No. 2301(a)) and a related certification of accuracy (FCC Form No. 2301(b)), as well as instructions to guide providers through the reporting process. See ICS Annual Reporting Form Word Template (Current), WC Docket No. 12–375 <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ics-data-collections> (last visited October 26, 2023) (Word Template); ICS Annual Reporting Form Excel Template (Current), WC Docket No. 12–375, <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ics-data-collections> (last visited October 26, 2023) (Excel Template); ICS Annual Reporting and Certification Instructions (Current), WC Docket No. 12–375 <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ics-data-collections> (last visited October 26, 2023) (Instructions) (Certification Instructions); ICS Annual Report Certification Form (Current), WC Docket No. 12–375, <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ics-data-collections> (last visited October 26, 2023) (Certification Form).

In 2021, the Commission released the Third Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Fifth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking WC Docket No. 12–375, 36 FCC Rcd 9519 (2021). The Commission revised its rules by adopting, among other things, lower interim rate caps for interstate calls, new interim rate caps for international calls, and a new rate cap structure that requires ICS providers to differentiate between legally mandated and contractually required site

commissions. The revisions also included expanded consumer disclosure requirements, as well as new reporting requirements for providers seeking waivers of the Commission’s interstate and international rates.

In 2022, the Commission released the Fourth Report and Order and Sixth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, WC Docket No. 12–375, FCC 22–76 (Sept. 30, 2022). The Commission adopted numerous requirements to improve access to communications services for incarcerated people with communication disabilities and expanded the scope of the Annual Reports to reflect these new requirements. Pursuant to section 64.6040(c), the Commission required, among other things, that, as part of its obligation to provide access to telecommunications relay services (TRS), when an incarcerated person who has individually registered to use video relay service (VRS), internet protocol (IP) Relay, or internet protocol captioned telephone service (IP CTS) is released from incarceration or transferred to another correctional facility, the ICS provider must notify the TRS provider(s) with which the incarcerated person has registered. Under sections 64.6060(a)(5)–(7), the Commission amended the annual reporting and certification requirement to include, among other things, that ICS providers report, for each facility served, the types of TRS that can be accessed from the facility and the number of completed calls and complaints for TTY-to-TTY calls, American Sign Language (SL) point-to-point video calls, and each type of TRS for which access is provided.

On January 5, 2023, the President signed into law the Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022, Public Law 117–338, 136 Stat. 6156 (the Martha Wright-Reed Act or the Act), expanding the Commission’s statutory authority over communications services between incarcerated people and the non-incarcerated to include “any audio or video communications service used by inmates . . . regardless of the technology used.” The new Act also amends section 2(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Communications Act) to make clear that the Commission’s authority extends to intrastate as well as interstate and international communications services used by incarcerated people.

The Act directs the Commission to “promulgate any regulations necessary to implement” the statutory provisions, including its mandate that the

Commission establish a “compensation plan” ensuring that all rates and charges for IPCS “are just and reasonable,” not earlier than 18 months and not later than 24 months after its January 5, 2023 enactment. The Act also requires the Commission to consider, as part of its implementation, the costs of “necessary” safety and security measures, as well as “differences in costs” based on facility size, or “other characteristics.” It also allows the Commission to “use industry-wide average costs of telephone service and advanced communications services and the average costs of service of a communications service provider” in determining just and reasonable rates.

On March 17, 2023, pursuant to the directive that the Commission implement the new Act and establish just and reasonable rates for incarcerated people’s communications services (IPCS), the Commission released *Incarcerated People’s Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23–62, 12–375, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, FCC 23–19, 88 FR 20804 (2023 IPCS Notice) and 88 FR 19001 (Order) (2023 IPCS Order). The Commission sought comment on how to interpret the Act’s language to ensure that the Commission implements the statute in a manner that fulfills Congress’s intent. Because the Commission is now required or allowed to consider certain types of costs, the Act contemplates that it would undertake an additional data collection. To ensure that it has the data necessary to meet its substantive and procedural responsibilities under the Act, the Commission adopted the 2023 IPCS Order delegating authority to WCB and the Office of Economics and Analytics (OEA) to modify the template and instructions for the most recent data collection to the extent appropriate to timely collect such information to cover the additional services and providers now subject to the Commission’s authority. On April 28, 2023, WCB and OEA issued a Public Notice seeking comment on all aspects of the proposed data collection. *WCB and OEA Seek Comment on Proposed 2023 Mandatory Data Collection for Incarcerated People’s Communication Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23–62, 12–375, Public Notice, DA 23–355 (WCB/OEA Apr. 28, 2023). On July 26, 2023, WCB and OEA released an Order adopting instructions, a reporting template, and a certification form to implement the 2023 Mandatory Data Collection. *Incarcerated People’s*

Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act, Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services, WC Docket Nos. 23–62, 12–375, Order, DA 23–638 (July 26, 2023). In the 2023 IPCS Order, the Commission also reaffirmed and updated its prior delegation of authority to WCB and the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB) (collectively, the Bureaus) to revise the instructions and reporting templates for the Annual Reports. Specifically, the Commission delegated to the Bureaus the authority to modify, supplement, and update the instructions and templates for the Annual Reports.

On August 3, 2023, the Bureaus issued a Public Notice seeking comment on proposed revisions to the instructions, template, and certification form for the Annual Reports, <https://www.fcc.gov/proposed-2023-ipcs-annual-reports>, which are necessary to reflect the revised rules improving access to communications services for incarcerated people with communication disabilities adopted in the 2022 ICS Order and to help implement the Martha Wright-Reed Act to ensure just and reasonable rates for consumers and fair compensation for providers. *Wireline Competition Bureau and Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Seek Comment on Revisions to IPCS Providers’ Annual Reporting and Certification Requirements*, Public Notice, WC Docket Nos. 23–62, 12–375, DA 23–656 (Aug. 3, 2023). <https://www.fcc.gov/document/2023-incarcerated-peoples-communications-services-annual-reports-pn>. Notice of this document was published in the **Federal Register** on August 10, 2023 (88 FR 54318 Aug. 10, 2023).

The Bureaus have not yet issued an Order adopting revisions to the instructions, template, and certification form for the Annual Reports. It is necessary, however, for the Commission to effectuate the improved access to communications services for incarcerated people with communication disabilities required by section 64.6040(c). Consequently, we are dividing the information requirements and burdens of this collection between two submissions to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). In the instant submission, we seek OMB approval for the new information requirements in section 64.6040(c), which improve access to communications services for incarcerated people with communications disabilities by expanding the rules for advanced TRS. Upon release of an Order adopting

revisions to the instructions, template, and certification form for the Annual Reports, we will make a second submission to OMB, seeking approval of any revised information requirements adopted in that Order, as well as the new requirements in section 64.6060(a)(5)–(7), which expands the rule requiring the filing of Annual Reports to include additional data related to access to communications services for incarcerated people with communications disabilities.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene Dortch,

Secretary, Office of the Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Information Collection Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission Under Delegated Authority

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: 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; the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; 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 ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees. The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the