

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

**A. Justification:**

1. Section 90.517 requires that a report, which shall include comprehensive and detailed information on: (a) The final objective, (b) Results of operation to date, (c) Analysis of the results obtained, (d) Copies of any published reports, (e) Need for continuation of the program, and (f) Number of hours of operation on each frequency on the results of a developmental program, shall be filed with and made a part of each application for renewal of authorization. In cases where no renewal is requested, such report shall be filed within 60 days of the expiration of such authorization. Matters which the applicant does not wish to disclose publicly may be so labeled, and not be publicly disclosed without permission of the applicant. Further, non-public matters will be used solely for the Commission's information.

This report is not required if the sole reason for the developmental authorization is that the frequency of operation is restricted to developmental use only.

Statutory Authority for this collection of information is contained in Sections 4(i), 11, 303(g), 303(r), and 332(c)(7) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 154(i), 161, 303(g), 303(r), 332(c)(7).

As noted on the Form OMB-83I, this information collection does not affect individuals or households; thus, there are no impacts under the Privacy Act.

2. Commission personnel use the data to evaluate the need for renewal of the applicant's authorization. This information is also used by policy-making personnel to decide the desirability of instituting rulemaking proceedings involving new technologies or new uses of the radio spectrum.
3. Prior to finalizing rule makings the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau conducts an analysis to insure that improved information technology may be used to reduce the burden on the public. This analysis considers the possibility of obtaining and/or computer-generating the required data from existing data bases in the Commission or other federal agencies.
4. No other federal agency collects this data.
5. In conformance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission is making an effort to minimize the burden on all respondents, regardless of size. The Commission has limited the information requirements to that absolutely necessary to deter against possible abuses.
6. This information is required upon renewal or termination of each developmental

authorization. Since developmental authorizations are intended for the development of new uses or technologies, less frequent submissions would not provide sufficient information for deciding the desirability of instituting rulemaking proceedings involving new technologies or new uses of the radio spectrum.

7. There are no special circumstances which would require collections to be conducted in a manner inconsistent with the guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.6.
8. The Commission initiated a 60-day public comment period which appeared in the Federal Register on February 20, 2008 (73 FR 9330). No comments were received as a result of the Notice. A copy of the Federal Register Notice is included as a reference in the OMB submission.
9. Respondents will not receive any payments.
10. Matters, which may be so labeled, that the applicant does not wish to disclose publicly, will not be publicly disclosed without permission of the applicant, and will be used solely for the Commission's information.
11. This collection does not address any private matters of a sensitive nature.
12. Each applicant who files an application for renewal of a developmental authorization is required to report on the results of their developmental program. We estimate that each applicant will require an in-house engineer for two hours, per response, to compile and file this report. According to ULS, there are approximately 10 responses filed annually, for a total of 20 burden hours.

$10 \text{ (respondents)} \times 2 \text{ (hours)} = \mathbf{20 \text{ TOTAL "ANNUAL" BURDEN HOURS}}$

13. Estimate of cost to respondents: We assume that the respondent would use an internal engineer (\$40/hour) to prepare the information.  $\$40/\text{hour} \times 10 \text{ reports} \times 2 \text{ hours} = \$800.00$ .

- a. There are no capital or start-up costs.
- b. There are no operational or maintenance costs.

14. Estimate of cost to the Federal Government: The government review time is estimated at 15 min. per response with review being performed by personnel at the GS-12/5 level. Therefore:

$20 \text{ (hours)} \times .25 \text{ (mins.)} = 5 \text{ (hours)} \times \$36.44 \text{ (p./hr)} = \$182.20 \text{ TOTAL "ANNUAL" COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.}$

15. The adjustment reported in this submission is due to new estimations in this information collection which are not controllable by the Federal Government.

16. The data will not be published for statistical use.

17. We do not seek approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection.

18. There are no exceptions to Item 19.

**B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods:**

No statistical methods are employed.