

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

A. Justification:

1. This information collection describes station identification requirements under Section 90.647 pursuant to Section 90.425(e). This section informs us that 929-930 MHz nationwide paging licensees or MTA or EA-based SMR licensees are exempt from meeting these identification requirements as opposed to all other CMRS providers. The remaining CMRS providers need comply only with the streamlined station identification requirements which amend requirements from once every 15 minutes to once an hour instead.

Pursuant to § 90.425(e)(3), CMRS stations granted exclusive channels may transmit their call signals digitally. Specifically, these licensees must provide the Commission with information sufficient to decode the digital transmission to ascertain the transmitted call sign. Section 20.7 simply identifies which services fall under the mobile services umbrella via the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. 153(n), 332.

The Commission is requesting an extension (no change in reporting requirements) in order to obtain the full three-year clearance from the OMB.

Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 309(j) and 332, as amended.

2. The information requested in this collection is used by Commission staff to identify a licensee's digitally transmitted call sign pursuant to its rules under §§ 90.647 and § 90.425.
3. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau conducts analysis to determine whether or not improved information technology can or cannot 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 databases in the Commission or other federal agencies.
4. This agency does not impose a similar collection on the respondent. No similar information is available.
5. In conformance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission is continually seek ways to minimize the burden on all respondents, regardless of size. The Commission has limited the information requirements to that absolutely necessary for observing licensees to deter against possible abuses of the processes.

6. Generally, the respondents determine the frequency of filing.
7. Current data collection is consistent with 5 C.F.R. 1320.6.
8. Notice of the information collection appeared January 10, 2007 at 72 FR 1226, in compliance with 5 CFR Section 1320.8(d). We received no comments in response to this Notice. A copy of the notice is included in this submission to the OMB.
9. There are no payments or gifts to the respondents.
10. No questions of a confidential nature are asked.
11. This collection does not address any private matters of a sensitive nature.
12. Pursuant to §90.425(e)(3), licensees must provide the Commission with information sufficient to decode the digital transmission to ascertain the transmitted call sign. We estimate that approximately 45 licensees, per annum, will be required to comply. We estimate that each response would take approximately 1.66 hours.

45 responses x 1.66 hours = 74.7 hours (rounded to **75 hours**)

We assume that the respondents submitting the information would use an attorney or engineer @ \$200 per hour to prepare the information.

45 responses x \$200 per hour x 1.66 hours = \$14,940.00

13. There are no respondent costs incurred.
14. The government review time is estimated at 2 hours per response with review being performed by personnel at the GS-12 level.

45 responses x \$55.80 x 2 hours = \$5,022.00

Total Costs to the Federal Government is \$5,022.00

15. There is no change in burden.
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 were employed.