



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Mr. Howard A. Shelanski, Administrator
Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA)
Office of Management and Budget
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Washington, D.C. 20503

Dear Mr. Shelanski:

The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) is requesting reinstatement under the “emergency processing” provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, 44 U.S.C. § 3507, for the expired information collection (IC) requirements contained in 3060-0370, Part 32, Uniform System of Accounts for Telecommunications Companies. The Commission is seeking emergency approval so that this IC may be reinstated expeditiously in order that the Commission may continue to collect the necessary information under Part 32 of the Commission’s rules. The Commission would appreciate OMB’s approval of this emergency request and reinstatement of this IC by February 11, 2014.

In light of the importance of these accounting rules under Part 32, the Commission seeks to reinstate these IC requirements as expeditiously as possible. The Commission cannot comply with the normal clearance procedures set forth in 5 C.F.R. § 1320 because the use of normal clearance procedures will delay the timely reinstatement of these critical IC requirements. OMB emergency approval thus is vital to avoid the public harm that is likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed. The emergency processing for this reinstatement request is consistent with section 1320.13(a)(2)(i) of OMB regulations, 5 C.F.R. § 1320.13(a)(2)(i), which states that requests for emergency processing shall be accompanied by a written determination that the agency cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this part because “[p]ublic harm is reasonably likely to result if normal clearance procedures are followed.”

If you need any additional information to complete the OMB approval of this request, please contact me immediately. I can be reached by telephone at (202) 418-0217 or by e-mail at Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Leslie F. Smith".

Leslie F. Smith
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