SUPPORTING STATEMENT

A. <u>Justification</u>:

1. The Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") is requesting a revision of a currently approved authority information collection titled, "28 GHz Band" under OMB Control No. 3060-0768 from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The purpose of the revision is to remove 47 CFR Sections 25.203, 25.250, 25.257 and 25.258 from OMB Control No. 3060-0768 because they were consolidated under OMB Control No. 3060-0678. OMB approved the consolidation on August 15, 2014.

The information collection requirements that remain in this current collection are as follows:

Local Multipoint Distribution Systems (LMDS) licensees are required to serve copies of their applications on all Non-Geostationary Mobile Satellite Service (NGSO/MSS) applicants (Section 101.147).

NGSO/MSS feeder link earth stations must specify a set of geographic coordinates for location of these earth stations, 15 days after the release of a public notice announcing commencement of LMDS auctions (Section 101.147).

The statutory authority for this collection of information for Part 101 is contained in 47 U.S.C. Section 154, 303, unless otherwise noted.

This information collection does not affect individuals or households; thus, there are no impacts under the Privacy Act.

2. The information is used by the Commission and other applicants and/or licensees in the 28 GHz band to facilitate technical coordination of systems among applicants and/or licensees in the 28 GHz band. Without such information, the Commission could not implement the Commission's band plan.

3. The information collection requirements included in this Supporting Statement do not involve the use of electronic collection techniques. Therefore, zero percent of the information is collected electronically.

4. The agency does not impose a similar information collection on the respondents. There is no similar data available.

5. This collection of information does not have a significant impact on small entities or businesses. The burden to respondents is minimal.

6. Affected applicants and licensees are required to provide the requested information to the

Commission and other third parties whenever they seek authority to provide service in the 28 GHz band. The frequency of filing is, in general, determined by the applicant or licensees. If this information is compiled less frequently or not filed in conjunction with our rules, applicants and licensees will not obtain the authorization necessary to provide telecommunications services. Furthermore, the Commission would not be able to carry out its mandate as required by statute and applicants and licensees would not be able to provide service effectively.

7. This collection of information is consistent with the guidelines in 5 C.F.R. Section 1320.5(d)(2).

8. On October 15, 2014, a 60-day notice was published in the Federal Register 79 FR 61868 to solicit public comments on this information collection. The 60-day comment period ended on December 15, 2014. No comments were received from the public in response to the notice.

9. The Commission will not provide any payment or gift to respondents.

- 10. There is no need for confidentiality of information contained in the filings.
- 11. This information collection does not contain questions of a sensitive nature.

12. The Commission estimates that there are 17 responses and 17 respondents and a total of 34 annual burden hours in this information collection. The estimate of Burden Hours and Respondent Costs are summarized in the chart below.

Explanation of Burden Estimate 47 CFR 101.147 LMDS licensees are required to serve copies of their applications on all NGSO/MSS applicants	Number of Responses 15	Time Per Response 2 (Third Party Disclosure)	Total Annual Burden Hours 30
47 CFR 101.147 NGSO/MSS feeder link earth stations must specify a set of geographic coordinates for the location of these earth stations, 15 days after the release of a public notice announcing the commencement of LMDS auctions	2	2 Hours (On Occasion)	4
Totals:	17 Responses		34 Hours

- 13. Estimate of the Total Annual Cost Burden to Respondents:
- (a). There are no total capital and start up costs incurred by licensees.
- (b). The operational and maintenance costs incurred by licensees are summarized below.

The Commission estimates that the applicants/licensees will hire outside legal and/or engineering assistance at the rate of \$275 per hour for 50 percent of the responses (9).¹ The outside party will spend two hours per response.

- 9 responses x \$275 per hour x 2 hours per submission = \$4,950 total cost for outside legal/engineering assistance
- (c). The Total Costs: **\$4,950**

¹ The respondent will forward the responses to the outside party for assistance once the respondent has completed his/her part with the response as accounted for under question #12.

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14. Estimates of Annualized Costs to the Federal Government: 0.

Therefore, there are no annualized costs to the Federal government.

15. This Supporting Statement reflects adjustments in annual responses from 65 to 17 (-48), annual respondents from 65 to 17 (-48), annual burden hours from 130 to 34 (-96) and annual costs from \$18,150 to \$4,950 (\$-13,200) as a result of the removal of Part-25 related rule sections from OMB Control No. 3060-0768 and consolidation into OMB Control No. 3060-0678.

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 the Certification Statement.

B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods

No statistical methods are employed.