

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

A. Justification:

1. The Commission released a Report and Order, *Amendment of Parts 0, 1, 5, 73, and 74 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Posting of Station Licenses and Related Information*, MB Docket No. 18-121, FCC 18-174, on December 11, 2018. In this Report and Order, the Commission eliminated rule sections 47 CFR Sections 73.1230, 74.564, 74.664, 74.765 and 74.1265 to remove the posting information requirements from the Commission's rules. This collection is being revised to remove these rule sections from this information collection. Also, the posting information requirements are being removed from Sections 74.432 and 74.832 with this revision to the Office of Management and Budget. The remaining information collection requirements for this collection are as follows:

47 CFR 74.165 requires that the instrument of authorization for an experimental broadcast station be available at the transmitter site.

47 CFR 74.432(j) requires that the license of a remote pickup broadcast/low power auxiliary station shall be retained in the licensee's files and the address shown on the authorization.

47 CFR 74.832(j) (low power auxiliary stations) requires that the license shall be retained in the licensee's files at the address shown on the authorization.

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

Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in Section 154(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

2. Data used by FCC staff in field investigations will be used to ensure that a station is licensed and operating in the manner specified in the license. The information filed or posted would be used by the public and FCC staff to know to whom the transmitter is licensed.

3. This is a recordkeeping requirement. The use of information technology is feasible in this situation.

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

5. In conformance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission is making an effort to minimize the burden on all respondents.

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6. The frequency for this collection of information is determined by the grant of a license application and the renewal of a license.

7. This collection of information is consistent with the guidelines in 5 CFR 1320.5(d)(2).

8. The Commission published a Notice (88 FR 27890) in the *Federal Register* on May 3, 2023 seeking comments from the public on the information collection requirements contained in this collection. No comments were generated as a result of the Notice.

9. No payment or gift was provided to the respondents.

10. There is no need for confidentiality with this collection of information.

11. This collection of information does not address any private matters of a sensitive nature.

12. We estimate that the Commission will grant and/or renew 1,000 licenses. These licenses will either be filed or posted at the stations involved and sometimes sent to the Commission. The average burden on a licensee is 0.083 hours per posting/filing/forwarding of the license.

Total Number of Annual Respondents: 1,000 licensees

Total Number of Annual Responses: 1,000 filings

Total Annual Burden Hours:

1,000 licenses x 1 filing/posting/forwarding of the license/licensee x 0.083 hours/respondent/licensee
= **83 hours**

Total Annual “In-House” Cost: We assume that the posting, filing or forwarding of the station license would be done by clerical personnel at \$18.54 per hour (equivalent to GS-3 step 5 grade level) with an average of 0.083 hours per respondent.

1,000 licenses x 0.083 hours/respondent/licensee x \$18.54/hour = **\$1,538.82**

This estimate is based on FCC staff's knowledge and familiarity with the availability of the data required.

13. There are no annual cost associated with this information collection.

14. There is no cost to the Federal Government.

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15. There are program changes to this collection which are due to the elimination of certain rules in FCC 18-174. The program changes are as follows: -1,584 to the number of respondents, -1,584 to the annual number of responses, -131 to the annual burden hours and -\$24,860 to the annual cost. There are no adjustments to this collection.

16. The data will not be published.

17. OMB approval of the expiration of the information collection will be displayed at OMB's website.

18. There are no other exceptions to the Certification Statement.

B. Collections of Information Employing Statistical Methods:

No statistical methods are employed.