

NON-SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE REQUEST JUSTIFICATION
OMB CONTROL NUMBER 3060-0627

Form 2100, Schedule 302-AM – AM Station License Application

The Commission is submitting this non-substantive change request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval of minor non-substantive changes made to (current) FCC Form 302-AM. FCC Form 302-AM, Application for a New AM Broadcast Station License, is used to apply for a License to Cover a Construction Permit (for either a New Construction Permit, a Minor Modification of Licensed Facility, or a Minor Modification of Construction Permit) or to modify the license of an existing authorized AM facility in the “Consolidated Database System” (CDBS).

The Media Bureau is transitioning to a new on-line (electronic) licensing database system called the “Licensing Management System” (LMS) in which all Media Bureau broadcast applications and reporting forms will eventually be filed. In effect, the database transition requires a corresponding design conversion of all existing CDBS forms. The Media Bureau is currently developing electronic, LMS-compatible versions of various broadcast station application and reporting forms, such as this Form 2100, Schedule 302-AM – AM Station License Application (LMS AM License Application) as part of the database transition.¹

In general, the new LMS AM License Application will replicate the FCC Form 302-AM. The form sections and substance of the individual questions essentially remain the same. As with the (current) FCC Form 302-AM, the LMS AM License Application requires applicants to certify compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements. The application is presented primarily in a “Yes/No” certification format and contains places for submitting explanatory exhibits where appropriate.

In this next phase of the LMS roll-out, the new LMS AM License Application is replacing FCC Form 302-AM for applications to apply for a License to Cover a Construction Permit (for either a New Construction Permit, a Minor Modification of Licensed Facility, or a Minor Modification of Construction Permit) or to modify the license of an existing authorized AM facility. FCC Form 302-AM therefore is now completely replaced by the LMS AM License Application, and applicants will no longer use FCC Form 302-AM when applying for any AM license

The respondents, burden hours and costs of this Information Collection are not impacted by the minor non-substantive changes to the FCC Form 302-AM, which will now be a part of the LMS AM License Application. The minor non-substantive change is highlighted below:

Change #1 – To accommodate the Media Bureau’s database transition from CDBS to LMS, FCC Form 302-AM will be replaced by an LMS-compatible LMS AM License Application. The certification-based questions and explanatory exhibit format remains the same. The substance, respondents, burden hours, and costs of Information Collection OMB Control No. 3060-0627 are not impacted. The title of Information Collection OMB Control No. 3060-0627 will also be modified to reflect the renamed LMS AM License Application form.²

¹ Pursuant to this non-substantive change, CDBS-based “FCC Form 302-AM, Application for a New AM Broadcast Station License” will be renamed “Form 2100, Schedule 302-AM – AM Station License Application” and encompassed within the new on-line, electronic licensing database system called the Licensing Management System (LMS).

² Prior to this non-substantive change, this Information Collection OMB Control No. 3060-0627 was named: “Application for AM Broadcast Station License.” The new title of this Information Collection will be: “Form 2100, Schedule 302-AM – AM Station License Application.”