

**Section 90.651, Supplemental Reports Required of Licensees  
3060-0281  
Authorized Under This Subpart  
June 2024**

SUPPORTING STATEMENT

**A. Justification:**

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

1. In a Report and Order (FCC 99-9, released February 19, 1999) in WT Docket 97-153, the Commission, under section 90.651, adopted a revised time frame for reporting the number of mobile units placed in operation from eight months to 12 months of the grant date of their license. The radio facilities addressed in this subpart of the rules are allocated on and governed by regulations designed to award facilities on a need basis determined by the number of mobile units served by each base station. This is necessary to avoid frequency hoarding by applicants. This rule section requires licensees to report the number of mobile units served via FCC Form 601.

Statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in 47 U.S.C. 154(i), 161, 303(g), 303(r), 332(c)(7).

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

2. Commission licensing personnel use the information to maintain an accurate database of frequency users. The Commission and the public use the data base information in spectrum planning, interference resolution and licensing activities.
3. Prior to finalizing rulemakings the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau conducts an analysis to insure that improved information technology 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. No similar information is available.
5. In conformance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commission is making an effort to minimize the burden on all respondents, regardless of size. The Commission has limited the information requirements to that absolutely necessary for evaluating and processing application and to deter against possible abuses.
6. The applicant, not the FCC, controls frequency of collection. Only those respondents needing waiver of a specific rule will submit the information with their initial license applications.
7. Current data collection is consistent with 5 C.F.R. § 1320.5.

8. As required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the Commission published a 60-day public notice which appeared in the Federal Register on April 8, 2024 (89 FR 24476). No PRA comments were received as a result of the notice.
9. There are no payments or gifts to respondents associated with this information collection
10. No question of a confidential nature is asked with this collection.
11. This collection does not address any private matters of a sensitive nature.
12. Hourly Burden on the Respondent: Based on ULS license records there are 367 respondents with 610 applications filed in the last three years. The average number of such applications received annually that are affected by this requirement is 203. We estimate that the requirements of this rule places a burden of 10 minutes (.166 hours) per license annually, for a total burden of 33.698 hours.

$203 \text{ (responses)} \times 10 \text{ (minutes or .166 hours per response)} = 33.698 \text{ hours}$   
rounded to **34 hours**

**Total Annual Burden is: 34 hours.**

**Total Number of Annual Respondents: 122.**

**Total Number of Annual Responses: 203.**

**Total In-House Cost:** We assume that the information will be prepared by in-house clerical personnel at \$33.63/hr. (equivalent to a GS-8 Step 5) requiring 10 minutes per response. Therefore, the in-house cost is as follows:

$34 \text{ hours} \times \$33.63/\text{hour} = \mathbf{\$1,143.42.}$

13. There are no external costs with this collection.
14. Government Costs: The government review time was estimated as .166 hours per response with review being performed by personnel at the GS-11 level step 5 (\$44.94/hour)

$203 \text{ (responses)} \times \$44.94 \times .166 \text{ hours} = \$1,514.38.$

**Total Cost to the Federal Government is: \$1,514.38.**

15. There are no program changes to this collection. There are adjustments to number of respondents of +81 to the annual number of respondents, +136 to the annual number of responses and +23 to the annual burden hours. The increase in respondents is likely due to the fact that Public Safety entities were not included in the prior figures. The current number of respondents represent all licensees subject to this rule section.
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 were employed for submission of information.