

Federal Communications Commission

Explanation of Non-Substantive Changes to OMB Control Number: 3060-0855:

- FCC Form 499-A
 - FCC Form 499-Q
 - Instructions to FCC Form 499-A
 - Instructions to FCC Form 499-Q
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Purpose of this Submission: This submission is being made for proposed non-substantive changes to an existing information collection pursuant to 44 U.S.C. § 3507. This submission seeks to update (i) FCC Form 499-A; (ii) the accompanying instructions to FCC Form 499-A; (iii) FCC Form 499-Q; and (iv) the accompanying instructions to FCC Form 499-Q. On June 8, 2023, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) issued a Public Notice seeking comment on the proposed modifications (DA 23-488).

Summary of Proposed Updates to the 2024 FCC Form 499-A and FCC Form 499-Q, where applicable, and instructions:

- **Date Changes:** Dates were updated throughout the FCC Forms and instructions. References to “2023” were changed to “2024” and references to “2022” were changed to “2023.”
- **Clarifications and Stylistic Changes:** In a number of instances, additional non-substantive clarifications and minor stylistic changes, such as typos and spacing, are also made.

Summary of Proposed Changes to the 2024 FCC Form 499-A Instructions:

- Table 2 on page 13 is updated to clarify that carriers that hold international section 214 authorizations must designate a Washington, D.C.-based agent for service of process who is a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- Page 17 is updated to remove the reference to the FCC Form 477 and add the reference to the Broadband Data Collection (BDC) system.
- Page 19 is updated to clarify that carriers that hold international section 214 authorizations must designate a Washington, D.C.-based agent for service of process who is a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- Page 28 is updated to clarify that line 305.2 should not include revenue from interconnected VoIP service provided by the Filer and resold as interconnected VoIP service by reseller customers of the Filer. However, revenue from private line/business data service provided by the Filer and resold as interconnected VoIP service by reseller customers of the Filer should be included.

- Page 32 is updated to clarify that Line 311 should include long distance using interconnected VoIP provided to contributing resellers.
- Page 49 is updated to provide examples of exemptions from paying certain regulatory fees.
- Page 50 is updated to clarify that line 514(a) should be used for contributions funding IP Relay and Video Relay Service (VRS) in addition to IP Captioned Telephone Service (CTS).

Summary of Proposed Modifications to the 2024 FCC Form 499-Q Instructions:

- Page 10 is updated to remove the reference to the FCC Form 477 and add a reference to the Broadband Data Collection (BDC) system.
- **Circularity Factor Update:** The circularity factor will be adjusted and updated in the Form 499-Q instructions based upon the quarterly contribution factors subsequent to the Fourth Quarter 2023 contribution factor announcement.
- There are no changes in the burden hours and no costs are associated with this information collection.

Attachment 1: Proposed changes to Form 499-A

Attachment 2: Proposed changes to Form 499-A Instructions

Attachment 3: Proposed changes to Form 499-Q

Attachment 4: Proposed changes to Form 499-Q Instructions