provide that after June 2, 2015, digital modulation devices and the digital modulation portion of hybrid devices designed to operate in the U–NII–3 band must meet the new § 15.407 U–NII–3 rules to be FCC certified. This waiver order exclusively addresses the June 2, 2015 certification requirement.

4. Petitions for reconsideration of the First R&O are still pending. While the petitioners have generally alleged that the current state of the technology inhibits the design of affordable products that could comply with the more stringent out-of-band emission limits for the U–NII–3 band, the alternatives they suggested have been wide-ranging and many of the parties could not agree on a single solution that would meet the needs of the varying industry segments. Significant information was, and continues to be, submitted to the record. In particular, on March 23, 2015, the Joint Petitioners filed a well-styled “Consensus Proposal.” This detailed filing included technical rules that would significantly modify the out-of-band emission limits adopted for the U–NII–3 Band in the First R&O. Shortly thereafter, the Joint Petitioners requested that the Commission waive § 15.37(h) of the rules.

5. In light of the recent activity in the docket, the Commission concludes that there is good cause to grant a waiver of the June 2, 2015 U–NII device certification date. Doing so will give the Commission adequate time to consider the entire record—including the Joint Petitioners’ “Consensus Proposal”—as part of the reconsideration proceeding, and it will continue to certify U–NII–3 band devices meeting the requirements of the old § 15.427 until December 2, 2015. A brief extension of the intermediate transition deadline will not frustrate the ultimate U–NII–3 transition adopted in the First R&O, including the Commission’s determinations regarding the marketing, importation, and sale of digitally modulated and hybrid devices. Grant of the waiver, however, will permit manufacturers to better plan their research and design activities to comply with the outcome of any further action we may take on reconsideration.

6. Pursuant to the authority in § 1.3 of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 1.3, and sections 302, 303(e), and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 302, 303(e) and 303(r), IT is ordered that the § 15.37(h) of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 15.37(h) is waived to the extent discussed above until December 2, 2015.

7. The effective date of the Order is June 1, 2015, the date upon which this Order was released by the Commission.

Federal Communications Commission.
Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
47 CFR Part 17

[WT Docket No. 10–88; FCC 14–117]

Amendments To Modernize and Clarify the Commission’s Rules Concerning Construction, Marking and Lighting of Antenna Structures

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; announcement of effective date.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, for a period of three years, certain information collection requirements associated with the Commission’s Report and Order regarding Amendments to Modernize and Clarify the Commission’s rules concerning construction, marking and lighting of antenna structures. This document is being published pursuant to the Report and Order, which stated that the Commission would publish a document in the Federal Register announcing OMB approval and the effective date of the revised information collection requirements.

DATES: Amendments to 47 CFR 17.4, 17.48 and 17.49, published at 79 FR 56968, September 24, 2014, are effective on July 1, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Williams by email at Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov and telephone at (202) 418–2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This document announces that, on May 13, 2015, OMB approved certain information collection requirements contained in the Commission’s Report and Order, FCC 14–117, published in 79 FR 56968, September 24, 2014. The OMB Control Number is 3060–0645. The Commission publishes this notice as an announcement of the effective date of these information collection requirements.

Synopsis

As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), the FCC is notifying the public that it received OMB approval on May 13, 2015, for the revised information collection requirements contained in the Commission’s rules at 47 CFR 17.4, 17.48 and 17.49. Under 5 CFR part 1320, an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current, valid OMB Control Number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act that does not display a current, valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Number is 3060–0645.


The total annual reporting burdens and costs for the respondents are as follows:

OMB Control Number: 3060–0645.
OMB Approval Date: May 13, 2015.
OMB Expiration Date: May 31, 2018.
Title: Sections 17.4, 17.48 and 17.49, Antenna Structure Registration Requirements.
Form Number: N/A.
Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities, not-for-profit institutions and state, local or tribal government.
Number of Respondents and Responses: 20,000 respondents; 475,134 responses.
Estimated Time per Response: .1–.25 hours.
Frequency of Response: On occasion reporting requirement, recordkeeping requirement and third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in Sections 4 and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 154, 303.

Total Annual Burden: 50,198 hours.
Total Annual Cost: $64,380.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality with this collection of information.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: This collection of information does not affect individuals or households; thus, there are no impacts under the Privacy Act. However, respondents may request materials or information submitted to the Commission be withheld from public inspection under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission’s rules.

Needs and Uses: The Commission requested OMB approval for a revision of this information collection in order to
obtain the full three year approval pursuant to FCC 14–117. These revised information collection requirements, which implement and enforce the updated antenna structure notice, registration, reporting, and recordkeeping requirements of part 17 of the Commission’s rules, help improve efficiency, reduce regulatory burdens, and enhance compliance with antenna structure painting and lighting requirements, while continuing to ensure the safety of pilots and aircraft passengers nationwide. The revised information collection requirements are as follows:

Section 17.4 provides that the owner of any proposed or existing antenna structure that requires notice of proposed construction to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) due to physical obstruction must register the structure with the Commission. Section 17.4(f) previously required antenna structure owners “to immediately provide a copy” of the antenna structure registration to each tenant. This rule has been revised so that it now requires that antenna structure owners either provide a copy or a link to the FCC antenna structure Web site, and that this notification may be done electronically or via paper mail.

Section 17.4(g) previously required antenna structure owners to display the Antenna Structure Registration Number in a conspicuous place that is readily visible near the base of the antenna. This rule has been revised to require that the Antenna Structure Number be displayed so that it is conspicuously visible and legible from the publicly accessible area nearest the base of the antenna structure along the publicly accessible roadway or path. It has also been revised to provide that where an antenna structure is surrounded by a perimeter fence, or where the point of access includes an access gate, the Antenna Structure Registration Number should be posted on the perimeter fence or access gate. Where multiple antenna structures have separate Antenna Structure Registration Numbers are located within a single fenced area, the revised rule provides that the Antenna Structure Registration Numbers must be posted both on the perimeter fence or access gate and near the base of each antenna structure. If the base of the antenna structure has more than one point of access, the revised rule requires that the Antenna Structure Registration Number be posted so that it is visible at the publicly accessible area nearest each such point of access. The registration number is issued to identify antenna structure owners in order to enforce the Congressionally-mandated provisions related to the owners.

Sections 17.48 and 17.49 contain reporting and recordkeeping requirements. Section 17.48(a) required that antenna structure owners promptly report outages of top steady burning lights or flashing antenna structure lights to the FAA. Upon receipt of the outage notification, the FAA issues a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM), which notifies aircraft of the outage. However, the FAA cancels all such notices within 15 days. Previously, the Commission’s rules did not require antenna structure owners to provide any notification to the FAA regarding the status of repairs other than the initial outage report and the resumption of normal operation. Thus, if the repairs to an antenna structure’s lights required more than 15 days, the FAA may not have had any record of the outage from that 15th day to the resumption of normal operation.

This rule has been revised to require antenna structure owners to provide the FAA with regular updates on the status of their repairs of lighting outages so that the FAA can maintain notifications to aircraft throughout the entire period of time the antenna structure remains unlit. Consistent with the current FAA requirements, if a lighting outage cannot be repaired within the FAA’s original NOTAM period, the revised rule requires the antenna structure owner to notify the FAA of that fact. In addition, the revised rule provides that the antenna structure owner must provide any needed updates to its estimated return-to-service date to the FAA. The revised rule also requires antenna structure owners to continue to provide these updates to the FAA every NOTAM period until its lights are repaired.

Section 17.49 previously required antenna structure owners to maintain a record of observed or otherwise known extinguishments or improper functioning of structure lights, but did not specify the time period for which such records must be maintained. This rule has been revised to require antenna structure owners to maintain a record of observed or otherwise known extinguishments or improper functioning of structure lights for two years and provide the records to the Commission upon request.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary, Office of the Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 390

[Docket No. FMCSA–2012–0103]

RIN 2126–AB44

Lease and Interchange of Vehicles; Motor Carriers of Passengers

AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), DOT.

ACTION: Extension of deadline for filing petitions for reconsideration.

SUMMARY: FMCSA announces an extension of the deadline for submitting petitions for reconsideration of its May 27, 2015, final rule concerning the lease and interchange of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) by motor carriers of passengers. The final rule provides regulations governing the lease and interchange of passenger-carrying CMVs to identify the motor carrier operating a passenger-carrying CMV that is responsible for compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs) and ensure that a lessor surrenders control of the CMV for the full term of the lease or temporary exchange of CMVs and drivers. The American Bus Association (ABA) and United Motorcoach Association (UMA) filed a joint request for an extension of the June 26, 2015, deadline for the submission of petitions for reconsideration of the final rule. The Agency grants the request and extends the deadline for submission of petitions for reconsideration from June 26 until August 25, 2015.

DATES: Petitions for reconsideration must be filed in accordance with 49 CFR 389.35 by close of business on August 25, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Loretta Bitner, (202) 385–2428, loretta.bitner@dot.gov, Office of Enforcement and Compliance, FMCSA office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 27, 2015 (80 FR 30164), FMCSA published a final rule concerning the lease and interchange of passenger-carrying CMVs to identify the motor carrier operating a passenger-carrying CMV that is responsible for compliance with the FMCSRs and ensure that a lessor surrenders control of the CMV for the full term of the lease or temporary exchange of CMVs and