

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[OMB 3060–0057; FR ID 170279]

**Information Collection Being Submitted for Review and Approval to Office of Management and Budget****AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or the Commission) invites the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.” The Commission may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted on or before October 11, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be sent to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Your comment must be submitted into [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov) per the above instructions for it to be considered. In addition to submitting in [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov) also send a copy of your comment on the proposed information collection to Nicole Ongele, FCC, via email to [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) and to [Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov](mailto:Nicole.Ongele@fcc.gov). Include in the comments the OMB control number as shown in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collection, contact Nicole Ongele at (202) 418–2991. To view a copy of this information collection request (ICR) submitted to OMB: (1) go to the web page <http://www.reginfo.gov/>

[public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain), (2) look for the section of the web page called “Currently Under Review,” (3) click on the downward-pointing arrow in the “Select Agency” box below the “Currently Under Review” heading, (4) select “Federal Communications Commission” from the list of agencies presented in the “Select Agency” box, (5) click the “Submit” button to the right of the “Select Agency” box, (6) when the list of FCC ICRs currently under review appears, look for the Title of this ICR and then click on the ICR Reference Number. A copy of the FCC submission to OMB will be displayed.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), the FCC invited the general public and other Federal Agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection. Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission’s burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107–198, see 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4), the FCC seeks specific comment on how it might “further reduce the information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.”

*OMB Control Number:* 3060–0057.

*Title:* Application for Equipment Authorization, FCC Form 731.

*Form Number:* FCC Form 731.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 11,305 respondents; 24,873 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 0.1–40 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion and other ongoing reporting requirements.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. 154(i), 301, 302a, 303, 309(j), 312, 316, and the

Secure Equipment Act of 2021, Public Law 117–55, 135 Stat. 423.

*Total Annual Burden:* 206,863 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$50,155,140.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission will submit this information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) after this 60-day comment period to obtain the three-year clearance. The information will be used by the Commission to fulfill its statutory mandate under the Secure Equipment Act of 2021, Public Law 117–55, 135 Stat. 423 (2021) to implement prohibitions in its equipment authorization program that will protect the nation’s telecommunications systems from equipment that has been determined to pose an unacceptable risk to national security or the safety of U.S. persons.

Federal Communications Commission.

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**FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**TIME AND DATE:** Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** Hybrid meeting: 1050 First Street NE, Washington, DC (12th Floor) and Virtual.

**Note:** For those attending the meeting in person, current COVID–19 safety protocols for visitors, which are based on the CDC COVID–19 hospital admission level in Washington, DC, will be updated on the Commission’s contact page by the Monday before the meeting. See the contact page at <https://www.fec.gov/contact/>. If you would like to virtually access the meeting, see the instructions below.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public, subject to the above-referenced guidance regarding the COVID–19 hospital admission level and corresponding health and safety procedures. To access the meeting virtually, go to the Commission’s website [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov) and click on the banner to be taken to the meeting page.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

Proposed Directive Regarding Investigations Conducted by the Office of General Counsel

Audit Division Recommendation Memorandum on Citizens for Waters (A21–01)

Management and Administrative Matters