

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**47 CFR Ch. I****Unified Agenda of Federal Regulatory and Deregulatory Actions--Fall 2008**

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: Twice a year, in spring and fall, the Commission publishes in the **Federal Register** a list in the Unified Agenda of those major items and other significant proceedings under development or review that pertain to the Regulatory Flexibility Act. (U.S.C. 602). The Unified Agenda also provides the Code of Federal Regulations citations and legal authorities that govern these proceedings. The complete Unified Agenda will be published on the Internet in a searchable format at www.reginfo.gov.

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Title	Regulation Identifier Number
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Title: Streamlining the Commission's Rules and Regulations for Satellite Application and Licensing Procedures (IB Docket No. 95-117)

Abstract: On February 10, 1997, the FCC adopted rules and policies that streamlined the application and licensing requirements of part 25 of its rules, which deals with communication satellites and earth stations. The streamlined rules waived the construction permit requirement for satellite space stations; changed the license term for temporary fixed earth stations; and adjusted or changed the rules concerning minor modifications and basic requirements for satellite service applications. The

streamlined rules also resulted in the creation of a new application form, FCC Form 312. Form 312 eliminated from the International Bureau's use of the FCC Form 493, FCC Form 430, FCC Form 702, and FCC Form 704. Petitions for Reconsideration were filed in this matter. In March 1997 the Commission released a Public Notice concerning these petitions, which are presently pending before the International Bureau.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: Undetermined
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 4; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 554; 47 USC 701 to 744
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/09/1995	60 FR 46252
R&O, Recon Pending	02/10/1997	62 FR 5924
Public Notice/Petitions for Recon	03/26/1997	62 FR 14430

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State
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Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules Concerning Maritime Communications

Abstract: Amendment of the Maritime Radio Service Rules to encourage growth and improve the regulatory structure in VHF maritime communications.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant
 Major: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 80 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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NOI/NPRM	11/05/1992	57 FR 57717
FNPRM	04/26/1995	60 FR 35507
First R&O	04/26/1995	60 FR 34198
Second R&O	06/17/1997	62 FR 40281
Second FNPRM	06/17/1997	62 FR 37533
Third R&O and MO&O	07/06/1998	63 FR 40059
MO&O	04/26/1999	64 FR 26885
Third NPRM	12/08/2000	65 FR 76966
Fourth R&O	12/13/2000	65 FR 77821
Fourth NPRM	02/04/2002	67 FR 5080
Second MO&O and Fifth R&O	07/25/2002	67 FR 48560

R&O	08/13/2003	68 FR 48446
MO&O	04/15/2004	69 FR 19947
Correcting Amendment	07/26/2004	69 FR 44471
Second R&O and Sixth R&O	11/08/2004	69 FR 64664
Final Rule	10/12/2006	71 FR 60075

Additional Information: PR Docket No. 92-257

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Cable Television Rate Regulation

Abstract: The Commission has adopted rate regulations to implement section 623 of the 1992 Cable Act to ensure that cable subscribers nationwide enjoy the rates that would be charged by cable systems operating in a competitive environment.

Reconsideration was requested. The Fourteenth Order on Reconsideration addresses petitions on issues governing regulated services by cable systems. In a subsequent notice, comment was sought on recalibrating the competitive differential between rates of systems subject to effective competition and noncompetitive systems. In addition, comment was sought as to whether there may be a different approach to establish reasonable rates on the basic service tier.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 543

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/04/1993	58 FR 48
R&O and FNPRM	05/21/1993	58 FR 29736
MO&O and FNPRM	08/18/1993	58 FR 43816
Third R&O	11/30/1993	58 FR 63087
Third Order on Recon	04/15/1994	59 FR 17961
Order on Recon, Fourth R&O, and Fifth NPRM	04/15/1994	59 FR 17943
Fifth Order on Recon and FNPRM	10/13/1994	59 FR 51869
Fourth Order on Recon	10/21/1994	59 FR 53113
Sixth Order on Recon, Fifth R&O, and Seventh NPRM	12/06/1994	59 FR 62614
Seventh Order on Recon	01/25/1995	60 FR 4863
Ninth Order on Recon	02/27/1995	60 FR 10512
Eighth Order on Recon	03/17/1995	60 FR 14373
Sixth R&O and Eleventh Order on Recon	07/12/1995	60 FR 35854
Thirteenth Order on Recon	10/05/1995	60 FR 52106
Twelfth Order on Recon	10/26/1995	60 FR 54815
Tenth Order on Recon	04/08/1996	61 FR 15388
Order on Recon of the First R&O and FNPRM	04/15/1996	61 FR 16447
MO&O	02/12/1997	62 FR 6491
Report on Cable Industry Prices	02/24/1997	62 FR 8245

R&O	03/31/1997	62 FR 15118
Fourteenth Order on Recon	10/15/1997	62 FR 53572
NPRM and Order	09/05/2002	67 FR 56882

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: **Business;** Governmental Jurisdictions: **Local; State**

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Title: Cable Television Rate Regulation: Cost of Service

Abstract: The Commission has established rules pursuant to which cable operators may set rates for regulated cable service in accordance with traditional cost-of-service principles, as modified to take account of unique characteristics of the cable industry. In the latest NPRM, comment was sought on rule changes that may be necessary or desirable in order to account for changes in the regulatory process resulting from the end of the Commission's statutory authority to regulate certain tiers of cable programming service.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 543

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/30/1993	58 FR 40762
Second NPRM	04/15/1994	59 FR 18066
R&O	04/15/1994	59 FR 17975
MO&O	10/14/1994	59 FR 52087
Second R&O/First Order on Recon/FNPRM	03/08/1996	61 FR 9361
Correction	03/22/1996	61 FR 11749
NPRM and Order	09/05/2002	67 FR 56882

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: **Business;** Governmental Jurisdictions: **State; Local**

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Title: Administration of the North American Numbering Plan

Abstract: The Report and Order lays the foundation for the fair and effective administration of numbering in the United States. The Report and Order establishes a model for administration of numbering resources in a competitive environment. In this model, the FCC will set broad policy objectives, be the final arbiter of domestic numbering disputes and work closely with other member countries of the North American Numbering Plan (NANP), the States, industry and consumers to ensure fair and effective number administration. The Report and Order creates the North American Number Council (NANC) under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. In the Third Report and Order, released on October 9, 1997, the Commission affirmed the NANC's selection of Lockheed Martin IMS as the new NANP administrator. The NANP administrator is a nongovernmental entity that is not aligned with any particular telecommunications industry segment, and upon selection and following a transition period, assumed Bellcore's current NANP administrator functions and the central office code administration functions currently handled by the dominant local exchange carrier in each area code. The rules were expanded to accommodate the requirements of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. See FCC 96-337, released August 8, 1996.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 52.1 to 52.99; 47 CFR 151; 47 CFR 154; 47 CFR 201 to 205; 47 CFR 403 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 3 and 4; 47 USC 151 to 155; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 207 to 209; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 225 to 227; 47 USC 251 and 252; 47 USC 271; 47 USC 332; 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NOI	11/10/1992	57 FR 53462
NPRM	05/10/1994	59 FR 24103
R&O	07/28/1995	60 FR 58737
Second R&O	09/06/1996	61 FR 47284
Third R&O	10/23/1997	62 FR 55179

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Use of N11 Codes and Other Abbreviated Dialing Arrangements

Abstract: In 1992, the FCC released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket 92-105 proposing that local exchange carriers (LECs) be required to make N11 codes available for access to information service providers. In this proposal, LECs could establish any reasonable assignment criteria for such allocation, including "first come, first served." The FCC's General Counsel released a letter indicating it found no regulatory or legal obstacles to assignment of N11 codes for information services. On February 19, 1997, the FCC released a First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in that Docket (FCC 97-51), which allows incumbent LECs, in addition to the States and Bell Communications Research (Bellcore), to

continue to perform the N11 code administration functions that they performed at the time of enactment of the 1996 Act amendments to the 1934 Act, until further FCC action. The FCC concluded that: (1) 311 should be assigned as a national number for access to non-emergency police calls; (2) 711 should be assigned as a national number for access to telecommunications relay services (TRS); (3) all providers of telephone exchange service must be able to have their customers call 611 and 811 to reach their repair and business service offices; and (4) a LEC may not itself offer enhanced services using a 411 code or any other N11 code, unless that LEC offers access to the code on a reasonable nondiscriminatory basis to competing enhanced service providers in the local service area for which it is using the code to facilitate distribution of their enhanced services. In the FNPRM, the FCC asked for comment on: (1) The technical feasibility of implementing 711 for TRS access; (2) the possibility of developing an N11 gateway offering access to multiple TRS providers; (3) whether with such access, TRS calls would still be answered within mandatory minimum answer times; (4) whether such a gateway would be consistent with section 255; (5) whether other important disability services could be accessed thereby; (6) the possibility of providing both voice and text TRS services through the same abbreviated TRS code; (7) the proprietary nature of N11 codes; and (8) an FCC proposal to transfer administration of N11 codes at the local level from incumbent LECs to the North American Numbering Plan (NANP) administrator. Petitions for reconsideration or clarification on the order have been filed. Comments and replies were filed on March 31 and April 30, 1997, respectively. On June 16, 1999, the Commission released a Public Notice announcing that it would hold a public forum on September 8, 1999, on 711 access to TRS. The goal of the forum was to identify steps that must be taken to implement 711 access to TRS as well as obstacles to implementation and how those obstacles could be resolved. On August 9, 2000, the Commission released a Second Report and Order (FCC 00-257) that addresses issues related to the deployment of 711 for access to TRS. The Commission required a nationwide rollout of 711 access to TRS and established an implementation framework. On July 31, 2000, the Commission released a Third Report and Order (FCC 00-256) that granted the petition of the United Way of America, and others, for nationwide assignment of the 211 abbreviated dialing code for access to community information and referral services. The Commission also granted the petition of the U.S. Department of Transportation for nationwide assignment of the 511 abbreviated dialing code for access to travel and traffic information. The Commission further addressed issues raised in petitions for reconsideration of the N11 First Report and Order and resolved outstanding issues from the N11 Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. On August 29, 2000, the Commission released a Fourth Report and Order and Third Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket 92-105 and a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WT Docket 00-110 (FCC 00-327) to implement the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999. The Commission designated 911 as the universal emergency number and sought comment on appropriate transition periods and how the Commission should facilitate States' efforts to deploy comprehensive emergency communications systems.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 251(e)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/29/1992	57 FR 22681
FNPRM	02/26/1997	62 FR 8671
First R&O	02/26/1997	62 FR 8633
Fourth R&O and Third NPRM	09/19/2000	65 FR 56751
Second R&O	09/11/2000	65 FR 54799
Third R&O	02/09/2001	66 FR 9674
Second NPRM	04/05/2001	66 FR 18059

Additional Information: Additional Bureau: Consumer Information

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Resale and Roaming Obligations Pertaining to Commercial Mobile Radio Services

Abstract: On an interim basis, the First Report and Order extends to broadband PCS and covered SMR providers the cellular rule that prohibits restricting resale of communications services. The new rules sunset five years after the last group of initial licensees for currently allocated broadband PCS spectrum is awarded. The rules also eliminate all exceptions to the rule that allowed cellular licensees to restrict resale by competing with fully operational cellular licensees in the same geographic market. The Commission successfully adopted a Second Report and Order and Third Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in this proceeding. The Second Report and Order extends the Commission's cellular rules on manual roaming by any individual whose handset is capable of accessing the network of a cellular, broadband PCS, or covered SMR provider. The Third NPRM, among other things, sought comment on whether the Commission should adopt rules requiring cellular, broadband PCS, and covered SMR providers to provide automatic roaming in their coverage areas, and whether both automatic and manual roaming requirements should sunset five years after the initial grant of PCS licenses. The Third MO&O generally affirmed the Commission's earlier decision to extend the cellular resale rule to include certain PCS and SMR providers and to sunset the rule until November 24, 2002. However, it modified the prior decision by removing customer premise equipment (CPE) and CPE in bundled packages from the scope of the resale rule, by revising the scope of the resale rule to exclude all C, D, E, and F block PCS licensees that do not own and control and are not controlled by cellular or A or B block licensees, and by exempting from the rule all SMR and other CMRS providers that do not utilize in-network switching facilities.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20; 47 CFR 22 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: PL 103-66, sec 6002, Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NOI	07/13/1994	59 FR 35664
NPRM	07/13/1994	59 FR 35664
NPRM Comment Period End	09/29/1994	
NPRM	04/04/1995	60 FR 20949
NPRM Comment Period End	07/14/1995	
First R&O	07/12/1996	61 FR 38399
Second R&O and Third NPRM	08/15/1996	61 FR 44026
MO&O and O on Recon	11/09/1999	64 FR 61022

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: State; Federal

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Title: Implementation of the Universal Service Portions of the 1996 Telecommunications Act

Abstract: As required by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the Commission sought comment on proposals for reforming universal service. On November 8, 1996, the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service issued a recommended decision on changes to the universal service support mechanisms. In addition, on January 10, 1997, the Commission issued an NPRM

and NOI on changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA), regarding the administration of universal service. On May 8, 1997, the Commission, at the direction of Congress, released its order implementing the universal service portions of the 1996 Act. On December 30, 1997, the Commission issued the Fourth Order on Reconsideration which made changes and clarifications to the May 8 Order. On June 22, 1998, the Commission issued the Fifth Order on Reconsideration which revised the collection levels for the schools and libraries support mechanism through June 30, 1999, and revised the collection levels for the rural health care support mechanism through December 31, 1998. The Fifth Order on Reconsideration also revised the priority with which schools and libraries and rural health care providers will receive support. On October 28, 1998, the Commission issued the Fifth Report and Order, in which it adopted the model platform for its forward-looking economic cost methodology, which will be used to determine support for non-rural carriers beginning July 1, 1999. On November 21, 1998, the Commission issued the 8th Order on Reconsideration in which it consolidated the administration of universal service into a single entity known as the Universal Service Administrative Company or USAC. On November 25, 1998, the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service issued its Second Recommended Decision in which the Joint Board made certain recommendations to the Commission regarding the high-cost support mechanism. On May 28, 1999, the Commission issued the Thirteenth Order on Reconsideration in which it adopted the principles of a Federal high-cost support mechanism that conformed to the Second Recommended Decision and in which it sought further comment on specific elements of the support methodology. In the Thirteenth Order on Reconsideration, the Commission also decided to implement the new high-cost support mechanism on January 1, 2000, instead of July 1, 1999, as previously planned. On May 28, 1999, the Commission also issued a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in which it sought comment on proposed input values to be used in the forward-looking model to determine non-rural LECs' cost of providing supported services in high cost areas. On August 5, 1999, the Commission adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in which it sought comment to ascertain the availability of, and to understand the possible impediments to, deployment and subscribership in unserved and underserved areas of the Nation, including tribal lands and other insular areas. On November 1, 1999, the Commission issued the Fourteenth Order on Reconsideration, in which it eliminated the requirement that only carriers that have been certified as eligible telecommunications carriers may receive credit against their universal service contributions for providing telecommunications services to rural health care providers at the lower urban rates. On November 1, 1999, the Commission also issued the Fifteenth Order on Reconsideration, in which it authorized support for any commercially available telecommunications service regardless of the bandwidth, and simplified the method for determining how much support a rural health care provider can receive. On November 2, 1999, the Commission issued the Ninth Report and Order and Eighteenth Order on Reconsideration in which it adopted a new forward-looking high-cost support mechanism that will enable States to ensure the reasonable comparability of non-rural carriers' intrastate rates. On November 2, 1999, the Commission also issued the Tenth Report and Order in which it completed the selection of a cost model to estimate forward-looking cost by adopting input values for the previously adopted cost model. On June 30, 2000, the Commission issued the Twelfth Report and Order, Memorandum Opinion and Order, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, in response to the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking it adopted on August 5, 1999. In the Twelfth Report and Order, the Commission adopted measures to promote telecommunications subscribership and infrastructure deployment within American Indian and Alaska Native tribal communities. On October 12, 2000, the Commission released a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order to seek comment on proposals to modify the Commission's rules relating to contributions to the Federal universal service support mechanisms. On January 12, 2001, the Commission released a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on the Recommended Decision of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service (Joint Board) regarding a plan for reforming the universal service support mechanism for rural carriers. The Joint Board sent to the Commission the Rural Task Force Recommendation as a good foundation for implementing rural high-cost reform. The Rural Task Force recommends the use of a modified version of the current high-cost loop support mechanism based on carriers' embedded costs. On May 23, 2001, the Commission released the Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. In the Fourteenth Report and Order, the Commission adopted a 5-year plan that makes modifications to the high-cost loop support mechanism for rural carriers. These modifications were based on the recommendation of the Joint Board and will provide predictable levels of support so that rural carriers can continue to provide affordable service in rural America, while ensuring that consumers in all areas of the nation, including rural areas, have access to affordable and quality telecommunications services. On March 14, 2001, the Commission issued an order modifying the methodology used to assess contributions to universal service. The methodology was modified to reduce the interval between the accrual of revenues and the assessment of contributions based on those revenues. The order reduced the interval from an average of one year to an average of six months. On May 8, 2001, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking which sought comment on how to streamline and reform both the manner in which the Commission assesses carrier contributions to the universal service fund and the manner in which carriers may recover those costs from their customers. On May 22, 2001, the Commission adopted a 5-year interim freeze of the part 36 jurisdictional separations rules, pending comprehensive reform of the separations process. The 5-year interim freeze was based upon the July 21, 2000, Recommended Decision of the Federal-State Joint Board on Separations. Under the interim freeze, the part 36 categories and jurisdictional allocation factors of price cap incumbent LECs are frozen, while rate-of-return carriers had the option to freeze only their jurisdictional allocation factors. The interim freeze is in effect from July 1, 2001, to June 30, 2006, or until comprehensive reform is completed, whichever comes first. On November 8, 2001, the Commission released the Fifteenth Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Further Notice) reforming the interstate access charge and universal service support system for rate-of-return incumbent carriers. The Order established a new interstate support mechanism to replace implicit support in the interstate access rate structure of rate-of-

return carriers with explicit, portable support. Among other things, the Further Notice sought comment on consolidating the existing Long Term Support mechanism with the new support mechanism created in the Order. On January 25, 2002, the Commission released a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order (Further Notice), in which it sought comment on modifications to the rules governing the schools and libraries support mechanism. The modifications address changes that would make the program more efficient, ensure that the benefits of the program are distributed in an equitable manner, and prevent waste, fraud, and abuse. In addition, the order denied certain petitions for reconsideration relating to unused funds. On February 15, 2002, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Order, in which it sought comment on the issues from the Ninth Report and Order remanded by the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. The Ninth Report and Order established a Federal high-cost universal service support mechanism for non-rural carriers based on forward-looking economic costs. In addition, the order referred these issues to the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service for a recommended decision. On February 15, 2002, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking examining the appropriate legal and policy framework under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, for broadband access to the Internet provided over domestic wireline facilities. On February 26, 2002, the Commission issued a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Report and Order, in which it sought comment on specific proposals to change the manner in which universal service contributions are assessed and recovered, including one proposal to assess contributions based on the number and capacity of connections provided to a public network. This proceeding also made certain modifications to the existing contribution system. On April 19, 2002, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in which it sought comment on specific proposals to: clarify how it should treat eligible entities that also perform functions that are outside the statutory definition of "health care provider;" provide support for Internet access; and change the calculation of discounted services, including the calculation of urban and rural rates. On December 13, 2002, the Commission issued an Order and Second FNPRM in which it sought further comment on three specific connection-based universal service contribution methodologies. This Order also made interim changes to the contribution methodology to ensure the viability of the fund in the near term. On February 25, 2003, the Commission issued an NPRM in which it sought comment on the Recommended Decision issued by the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service regarding the definition of services supported by universal service. On February 26, 2003, the Commission issued a Public Notice in which it sought comment on a staff study of several alternative universal service contribution methodologies. On April 30, 2003, the Commission issued a Second Report & Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, in which it simplified and streamlined the operation of the schools and libraries support mechanism. In addition, it sought comment on further proposals to refine the support mechanism, including the carry-forward of unused funds. On May 21, 2003, the Commission issued a Twenty-fifth Order on Reconsideration, Report and Order, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, in which it resolved several petitions for reconsideration of the Twelfth Report and Order. In addition, it sought further comment on ways to provide enhanced Lifeline support to near reservation areas. On June 9, 2003, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, in which it sought comment on changes to the low-income support mechanisms recommended by the Joint Board. On July 3, 2003, the Commission released an Order eliminating the requirement that the National Exchange Carrier Association hold annual elections for its board of directors and that its directors serve one-year terms. On July 14, 2003, the Commission released an Order and Order on Reconsideration adopting the Joint Board's recommendations regarding the services supported by universal service. On July 24, 2003, the Commission released an Order adopting measures to ensure that implementation of the Children's Internet Protection Act complies with a US Supreme Court decision. 68 FR 47453. On October 27, 2003, the Commission released an Order on Remand, Memorandum Opinion and Order, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking modifying the High-Cost mechanism for non-rural carriers and seeking comment on certain issues relating to rate review and an expanded certification process. Order: 68 FR 69622. FNPRM: 68 FR 69641. On November 17, 2003, the Commission released a Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking improving the Rural Healthcare Support mechanism and seeking comment on modifications to the definition of "rural area" for the Rural Healthcare Support mechanism. 68 FR 74492. On December 23, 2003, the Commission released the Third Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking adopting rules to limit waste, fraud and abuse in the Schools and Libraries mechanism and seeking comment on additional measures to limit waste, fraud, and abuse. Order: 69 FR 6181. FNPRM: 69 FR 6229. On February 26, 2004, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking modifying regulation of rate-of-return carriers and seeking comment on further changes to regulation of rate-of-return carriers. 69 FR 13794. On April 29, 2004, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking improving the effectiveness of the low-income mechanism and seeking comment on whether the Commission should add an income-based criterion of 150 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. On May 14, 2004, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that sought comment on various abbreviated dialing arrangements that could be used by state "One Call" notification systems in compliance with the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002. On June 8, 2004, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that sought comment on the Recommended Decision of the Joint Board on Universal Service concerning the process for designation of eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) and the Commission's rules regarding high-cost universal service support. On June 28, 2004, the Commission issued an Order that asked the Joint Board to review the Commission's rules relating to the high-cost universal service support mechanism for rural carriers and to determine the appropriate rural mechanism to succeed the 5-year plan adopted in the Rural Task Force Order. On June 30, 2004, the Commission issued an Order appointing the Honorable Robert Nelson, Commissioner of the Michigan Public Service Commission to serve on the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. On July 20, 2004, the Commission issued an Order that granted, in part, waiver requests filed by AT&T, SBC and Verizon regarding the true-up process for universal service contributions based on 2003 revenues. On July 30, 2004, the

Commission issued an Order on Reconsideration and Fourth Report and Order that addressed Petitions for Reconsideration of the Commitment Adjustment Order, which directed the Universal Service Administrative Company to cancel any E-rate funding commitments that were made in violation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and to recover any erroneously distributed funds from service providers. On August 13, 2004, the Commission issued a Fifth Report and Order and Order that adopted measures to protect against waste, fraud and abuse in the administration of the Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism. The document also resolved a number of issues that have arisen from audit activities conducted as part of ongoing oversight over the administration of the universal service fund (USF) and addressed programmatic concerns raised by the Office of Inspector General. On August 26, 2004, the Commission issued an Order that granted in part NeuStar's Request to perform certain changes and transactions that do not affect its neutrality without Commission approval. On September 9, 2004, the Commission issued a Fourth Report to Congress that concluded the Commission's Fourth inquiry under section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. It concludes that the overall goal of section 706 is being met, and that advanced telecommunications capability is being deployed to all Americans in a reasonable and timely fashion. On September 16, 2004, the Commission issued a Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that sought comment on the North American Numbering Council recommendation for reducing the time interval for intermodal porting. The Commission also sought comment on implementation issues in the event that a reduced intermodal porting interval is adopted. On September 27, 2004, the Commission issued a Memorandum Opinion and Order that dismissed as moot Accipiter's Application for Review of a decision by the Accounting and Audits Division made on delegated authority, denying Accipiter's request for waiver of 47 CFR sections 36.611 and 36.612. On October 29, 2004, the Commission issued a Memorandum Opinion and Order that granted the Application for Review of a decision by the Common Carrier Bureau made on delegated authority, which granted Sandwich Isles a waiver to be treated as an incumbent Local Exchange Carrier serving a previously unserved area for purposes of receiving high-cost universal service support. On October 29, 2004, the Commission issued an Order that denied a petition for reconsideration filed by Business Service Center, Inc., Mobile Phone of Texas, Inc., and 3 Rivers PCS, Inc. requesting that the Commission reconsider its "safe harbor" guidelines, adopted in 1998, which allow several categories of carriers to assume that a certain percentage of their telecommunications revenues is interstate for universal service reporting and contribution purposes. On November 29, 2004, the Commission issued an Order on Reconsideration that addressed twelve petitions for reconsideration of the Universal Service First Report and Order and the Fourth Order on Reconsideration. These petitions concerned, among other issues, the high-cost and Schools and Libraries mechanisms, and contribution methodology. On December 17, 2004, the Commission issued a Second Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that modified its rules to improve the effectiveness of the rural health care universal service support mechanism. On December 30, 2004, the Commission issued an Order that approved the nominations of two state commissioners, Elliott Smith and Ray Baum to the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. On January 10, 2005, the Commission issued an Order and Order on Reconsideration that amended 47 CFR section 54.305 so that it does not apply to transfers to exchanges between non-rural carriers after the phase-down of interim hold-harmless support, and granted a request by the National Telephone Cooperative Association to provide that rural carriers may receive "safety valve" support for investment made in the first year of operating acquired exchanges. On January 10, 2005, the Commission issued an Order that denied in part and granted in part a request by Valor for waiver of 47 CFR section 54.305. The waiver allowed it to receive additional safety valve support consistent with the modifications to the safety valve mechanism contained in the Companion Order.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 54 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 et seq

Legal Deadline:

Action	Source	Description	Date
NPRM	Statutory		03/08/1996
Other	Statutory	Recommended decision.	11/08/1996
Other	Statutory	Federal-State Joint Board R&O released May 8, 1997.	05/08/1997

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Recommended Decision Federal-State Joint Board, Universal Service	11/08/1996	61 FR 63778
Second R&O	05/08/1997	62 FR 32862
First R&O	05/08/1997	62 FR 32862
R&O and Second Order on Recon	07/18/1997	62 FR 41294
Order on Recon	07/10/1997	62 FR 40742
Second R&O, and FNPRM	08/15/1997	62 FR 47404
Third R&O	10/14/1997	62 FR 56118

Second Order on Recon	11/26/1997	62 FR 65036
Fourth Order on Recon	12/30/1997	62 FR 2093
Fifth Order on Recon	06/22/1998	63 FR 43088
Fifth R&O	10/28/1998	63 FR 63993
Second Recommended Decision	11/25/1998	63 FR 67837
Eighth Order on Recon	11/21/1998	
Thirteenth Order on Recon	06/09/1999	64 FR 30917
FNPRM	06/14/1999	64 FR 31780
FNPRM	09/30/1999	64 FR 52738
Fourteenth Order on Recon	11/16/1999	64 FR 62120
Fifteenth Order on Recon	11/30/1999	64 FR 66778
Ninth R&O and Eighteenth Order on Recon	12/01/1999	64 FR 67416
Tenth R&O	12/01/1999	64 FR 67372
Nineteenth Order on Recon	12/30/1999	64 FR 73427
Twentieth Order on Recon	05/08/2000	65 FR 26513
Public Notice	07/18/2000	65 FR 44507
Twelfth R&O, MO&O and FNPRM	08/04/2000	65 FR 47883
FNPRM and Order	11/09/2000	65 FR 67322
FNPRM	01/26/2001	66 FR 7867
R&O and Order on Recon	03/14/2001	66 FR 16144
NPRM	05/08/2001	66 FR 28718
Fourteenth R&O and FNPRM	05/23/2001	66 FR 30080
Order	05/22/2001	66 FR 35107
FNPRM and Order	01/25/2002	67 FR 7327
NPRM	02/15/2002	67 FR 9232
NPRM and Order	02/15/2002	67 FR 10846
FNPRM and R&O	02/26/2002	67 FR 11254
NPRM	04/19/2002	67 FR 34653
Order and Second FNPRM	12/13/2002	67 FR 79543
Public Notice	02/26/2003	68 FR 10724
NPRM	02/25/2003	68 FR 12020
Second R&O and FNPRM	06/20/2003	68 FR 36961
NPRM	07/17/2003	68 FR 42333
Twenty-Fifth Order on Recon, R&O, Order, and FNPRM	07/16/2003	68 FR 41996
Order	07/24/2003	68 FR 47453
Order	08/06/2003	68 FR 46500
Order and Order on Recon	08/19/2003	68 FR 49707
Order on Remand, MO&O, FNPRM	10/27/2003	68 FR 69641
R&O, Order on Recon, FNPRM	11/17/2003	68 FR 74492
R&O, FNPRM	02/26/2004	69 FR 13794
R&O, FNPRM	04/29/2004	
NPRM	05/14/2004	69 FR 3130
NPRM	06/08/2004	69 FR 40839
Order	06/28/2004	69 FR 48232
Order on Recon & Fourth R&O	07/30/2004	69 FR 55983
Fifth R&O and Order	08/13/2004	69 FR 55097
Order	08/26/2004	69 FR 57289
Second FNPRM	09/16/2004	69 FR 61334
Order & Order on Recon	01/10/2005	70 FR 10057
R&O	03/17/2005	70 FR 29960
Sixth R&O	03/14/2005	70 FR 19321
MO&O	03/30/2005	70 FR 21779
NPRM & FNPRM	06/14/2005	70 FR 41658
Order	10/14/2005	70 FR 65850
Order	10/27/2005	
Order	01/01/2006	71 FR 6485
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NPRM	01/11/2006	71 FR 1721
Order	02/08/2006	71 FR 6485
FNPRM	03/15/2006	71 FR 13393
MO&O and FNPRM	05/16/2006	71 FR 29843

Order	05/16/2006	71 FR 30298
R&O	06/27/2006	71 FR 38781
R&O and NPRM	07/10/2006	71 FR 38781
Public Notice	08/11/2006	71 FR 50420
Order	09/29/2006	71 FR 65517
Public Notice	03/16/2007	72 FR 39421
Public Notice	03/13/2007	72 FR 40816
Public Notice	03/12/2007	72 FR 36706

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions: Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Establishing Rules and Policies for the Use of Spectrum for Mobile Satellite Service in the L-Band (IB Docket No. 96-132)

Abstract: The Commission has established licensing policies to govern mobile-satellite services (MSS) in the L-band. Specifically, the Commission has modified the license of Motient Services, Inc. (Motient), the only U.S. MSS system currently authorized to operate in the L-band, to use up to 20 megahertz of spectrum across the entire L-band. Previously, Motient was authorized only to operate in the upper portion of the L-band. In addition, the Commission has adopted and incorporated into part 25 of the rules specific operational parameters and technical requirements to ensure the integrity of maritime distress and safety communications service will not be compromised by MSS operation in the lower portion of the L-band. Petitions for reconsideration were filed.

Priority: Routine and Frequent

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25.136(d)(1) to 25.136(d)(8); 47 CFR 25.136(e)(1) to 25.136(e)(10) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 316; 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/18/1996	61 FR 40772
NPRM Comment Period End	09/23/1996	
R&O	08/07/2002	67 FR 51105

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: Establishment of Rules and Policies for the Digital Audio Radio Satellite Service in the 2310-2360 MHz Frequency Band (IB Docket No. 95-91; GEN Docket No. 90-357)

Abstract: The Commission is proposing rules to govern satellite digital audio radio services (SDARS). The Commission adopted service rules for SDARS in 1997 and sought further comment on proposed rules governing the use of complementary terrestrial repeaters. The Commission released a second further notice of proposed rulemaking in January 2008 to consider new proposals for rules governing terrestrial repeaters and operations of Wireless Communications Service (WCS) devices in the 2305-2360 MHz band.

Priority: Routine and Frequent

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25.144; 47 CFR 25.214 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 151(i); 47 USC 154(j); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/15/1995	60 FR 35166
R&O	03/11/1997	62 FR 11083
FNPRM	04/18/1997	62 FR 19095
Second FNPRM	01/15/2008	73 FR 2437
FNPRM Comment Period End	03/17/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Implementation of the Communications Act, Competitive Bidding; 218-219 MHz Competitive Bidding Rules

Abstract: Tenth Report and Order modifies the competitive bidding rules for the upcoming auction of 218-219 MHz: (1) Eliminates bidding credits available to women- and minority-owned 218-219 MHz applicants; (2) extends two levels of bidding credits to small businesses based on a two-tiered small business definition; (3) clarifies the attribution rules for affiliates of 218-219 MHz applicants; and (4) increases the amount of the upfront payments required to participate in the 218-219 MHz auction.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 95 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
R&O	04/25/1994	59 FR 24947
FNPRM	08/06/1996	61 FR 49103
R&O	11/15/1996	61 FR 60198
FNPRM	09/30/1998	63 FR 52215
MO&O	10/08/1998	63 FR 54073
R&O and MO&O	11/03/1999	64 FR 59656
Order on Recon	12/29/1999	64 FR 72956
Second Order on Recon	02/07/2001	66 FR 9212
Third Order on Recon of R&O and MO&O	06/24/2002	67 FR 42507

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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Cable Home Wiring

Abstract: On October 6, 1997, the FCC adopted a Report and Order and Second Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 97-376) that amends its cable inside wiring rules to enhance competition in the video distribution marketplace. The Second FNPRM seeks comment on, among other things, whether there are circumstances where the FCC should adopt restrictions on exclusive contracts in order to further promote competition in the multiple dwelling unit marketplace. The 2nd Report and Order addresses multiple dwelling units when the occupant charges video service providers. In the First Order on Reconsideration and the Second Report and Order, the Commission modified its rules in part. The United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit remanded a portion of the Commission decision back to the Commission for further consideration. In September 2004, the Commission issued an FNPRM in response to the courts decision. The subsequent Report and Order and Declaratory Ruling concluded that cable wiring behind sheet rock is physically inaccessible for determining the demarcation point.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 544(i)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/17/1992	57 FR 54209
R&O	03/02/1993	58 FR 11970
NPRM	02/01/1996	61 FR 3657
First Order on Recon & FNPRM	02/16/1996	61 FR 6210
FNPRM	09/03/1997	62 FR 46453
R&O and Second FNPRM	11/14/1997	62 FR 60165
First Order on Recon and Second R&O	03/21/2003	68 FR 13850

FNPRM	10/15/2004	69 FR 61193
R&O and Declaratory Ruling	08/30/2007	72 FR 50074

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: 39 GHz Channel Plan

Abstract: This proceeding amends the FCC's rules to facilitate more effective use of the 39 GHz band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1 and 2; 47 CFR 101 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302; 47 USC 524

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/26/1996	61 FR 2465
NPRM Comment Period End	02/12/1996	
Reply Comments	02/27/1996	
Order	02/22/1996	61 FR 6809
Order	05/01/1996	61 FR 19236
Second NPRM	01/21/1998	63 FR 3075
R&O	02/06/1998	63 FR 6079
MO&O	08/23/1999	64 FR 45891
NPRM	12/20/1999	64 FR 71088
R&O	01/02/2001	66 FR 33
NPRM	12/21/2001	66 FR 65866
R&O	03/04/2002	67 FR 9610
R&O	12/03/2002	67 FR 71861
R&O	08/13/2003	68 FR 48446
Third NPRM	08/27/2004	69 FR 52632
Third NPRM Comment Period Extended	10/04/2004	69 FR 59166

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 95-183, RM-8553; PP Docket No. 93-253

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Title: Implementation of the Communications Act, Amendment of the Commission's Rules--Broadband PCS Competitive Bidding and the Commercial Mobile Radio Service Spectrum Cap

Abstract: NPRM to modify the competitive bidding rules for the Broadband PCS F Block. Report and Order, adopted June 21,1996, modified the PCS/cellular rule and the cellular spectrum cap.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 24 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 301 and 302; 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 309(j); 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
O on Recon of Fifth MO&O and D, E, & F R&O	11/15/2000	65 FR 68927
Final Rule	03/02/2001	66 FR 13022
Final Rule	06/04/2001	66 FR 29911
Third NPRM	08/27/2004	69 FR 52632
Third NPRM Comment Period Extended	10/04/2004	69 FR 59166

Additional Information: PP Docket No. 93-253

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Competitive Availability of Navigation Devices (CS Docket No. 97-80)

Abstract: The Commission has adopted rules to address the mandate expressed in section 629 of the Communications Act to ensure the commercial availability of "navigation devices," the equipment used to access video programming and other services from multichannel video programming systems. Specifically, in 1998, the Commission required MVPDs to make available by July 1, 2000, a security element separate from the basic navigation device (e.g., cable set-top boxes, digital video recorders, and television receivers with navigation capabilities). The separation of the security element from the host device required by this rule (referred to as the "integration ban") was designed to enable unaffiliated manufacturers, retailers, and other vendors to commercially market host devices while allowing MVPDs to retain control over their system security. MVPDs were

permitted to continue providing equipment with integrated security until January 1, 2005, so long as modular security components, known as point-of-deployment modules, were also made available for use with host devices obtained through retail outlets. In April 2003, in response to requests from cable operators, the Commission extended the effective date of the integration ban until July 1, 2006. Then, in 2005, again at the urging of cable operators, the Commission extended that date until July 1, 2007. Also, in this proceeding, in April 2003, the Commission adopted unidirectional "plug and play" rules, to govern compatibility between MVPDs and navigation devices manufactured by consumer electronics manufacturers not affiliated with cable operators. In June 2007, the Commission solicited comment on proposed standards to ensure bidirectional compatibility of cable television systems and consumer electronics equipment.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 549

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/05/1997	62 FR 10011
R&O	07/15/1998	63 FR 38089
Order on Recon	06/02/1999	64 FR 29599
FNPRM & Declaratory Ruling	09/28/2000	65 FR 58255
FNPRM	01/16/2003	68 FR 2278
Order and FNPRM	06/17/2003	68 FR 35818
FNPRM	11/28/2003	68 FR 66776
Second R&O	11/28/2003	68 FR 66728
Order on Recon	01/28/2004	69 FR 4081
Second R&O	06/22/2005	70 FR 36040
Third FNPRM	07/25/2007	72 FR 40818

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Revision of the Rules To Ensure Compatibility With Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems

Abstract: In a series of orders in several related proceedings issued since 1996, the Federal Communications Commission has taken action to improve the quality and reliability of 911 emergency services for wireless phone users. Rules have been adopted governing the availability of basic 911 services and the implementation of enhanced 911 (E911) for wireless services.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 134(i); 47 USC 151; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 215; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 309

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite

Next Action Undetermined		
FNPRM	08/02/1996	61 FR 40374
R&O	08/02/1996	61 FR 40348
MO&O	01/16/1998	63 FR 2631
Second R&O	06/28/1999	64 FR 34564
Third R&O	11/04/1999	64 FR 60126
Second MO&O	12/29/1999	64 FR 72951
Fourth R&O, Third NPRM, and NPRM	09/19/2000	65 FR 56752
Fourth MO&O	10/02/2000	65 FR 58657
FNPRM	06/13/2001	66 FR 31878
Order	11/02/2001	66 FR 55618
R&O	05/23/2002	67 FR 36112
Public Notice	07/17/2002	67 FR 46909
Order to Stay	07/26/2002	
FNPRM	01/23/2003	68 FR 3214
Order on Recon	01/22/2003	68 FR 2914
Second R & O, Second FNPRM	02/11/2004	69 FR 6578
Second R&O	09/07/2004	69 FR 54037
NPRM	06/01/2007	72 FR 33948
NPRM Comment Period End	08/20/2007	
Order on Recon	10/11/2007	72 FR 57879
R&O	02/14/2008	73 FR 8617

Additional Information: CC Docket No. 94-102; CC Docket No. 96-115; CC Docket No. 92-105; WT Docket No. 00-110; PS Docket No. 07-114

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations Government Levels Affected: Local; State

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Title: Policies and Rules Governing Interstate Pay-Per-Call and Other Information Services Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (CC Docket Nos. 96-146, 93-22)

Abstract: The Commission received comments on proposed rules designed to implement the 1996 Telecommunications Act with respect to information services to prevent abusive and deceptive practices by entities that might try to circumvent the statutory requirements. The proposed rules address generally the use of dialing sequences other than the 900 service access code to provide information services. The Commission issued an NPRM on these issues July 16, 2004.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.1501 to 1515 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 228

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Order	07/26/1996	61 FR 39084

NPRM	07/26/1996	61 FR 39107
NPRM Comment Period End	09/16/1996	
Notice to Refresh Record	03/27/2003	68 FR 14939
Comment Period End	05/27/2003	
NPRM	10/15/2004	69 FR 61184

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Telecommunications Carriers' Use of Customer Proprietary Network Information and Other Customer Information

Abstract: The Commission adopted rules implementing the new statutory framework governing carrier use and disclosure of customer proprietary network information (CPNI) created by section 222 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. CPNI includes, among other things, to whom, where, and when a customer places a call, as well as the types of service offerings to which the customer subscribes and the extent to which the service is used.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.2001; 47 CFR 64.2003; 47 CFR 64.2005; 47 CFR 64.2007; 47 CFR 64.2009 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 222; 47 USC 272; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/28/1996	61 FR 26483
Public Notice	02/25/1997	62 FR 8414
Second R&O and FNPRM	04/24/1998	63 FR 20364
Order on Recon	10/01/1999	64 FR 53242
Final Rule, Announcement of Effective Date	01/26/2001	66 FR 7865
Clarification Order & Second NPRM	09/07/2001	66 FR 50140
Third R&O and Third FNPRM	09/20/2002	67 FR 59205
NPRM	03/15/2006	71 FR 13317
Final Rule, Announcement of Effective Date	06/08/2007	72 FR 31948
NPRM	06/08/2007	72 FR 31782

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Title: Implementation of the Subscriber Selection Changes Provision of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (CC Docket No. 94-129)

Abstract: In December 1998, the Commission established new rules and policies implementing section 258 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, which makes it unlawful for any telecommunications carrier to "submit or execute a change in a subscriber's selection of a provider of telecommunications exchange service or telephone toll service except in accordance with such verification procedures as the Commission shall prescribe." The rules provide, among other things, that any telecommunications carrier that violates such verification procedures and that collects charges for telephone exchange service or telephone toll service from a subscriber shall be liable to the carrier previously selected by the subscriber in an amount equal to 150 percent of all charges paid by the subscriber after such violation. In April 2000, the Commission modified the slamming liability rules by giving victims of slamming adequate redress, ensuring that carriers that slam do not profit from their fraud, and allowing States to act as the primary administrator of slamming complaints. In May 2001, the Commission adopted streamlined procedures for the carrier-to-carrier sale or transfer of customer bases. In February, 2003, the Commission adopted a Reconsideration Order and Second FNPRM. The Reconsideration Order addresses, amongst other things, the requirement that a carrier's sales agent drop-off a carrier change request phone call once the customer has been connected to an independent third party verifier, and the applicability of our slamming rules to local exchange carriers. In the Second FNPRM, the Commission sought comment on rule modifications with respect to third party verifications. On January 4, 2008, the Commission released an Order that confirmed that a LEC that is executing a carrier change on behalf of another carrier may not re-verify whether the person listed on the change order is actually authorized to do so. On January 9, 2008, the Commission released a Fourth Report and Order that modified the slamming rules regarding the content of independent third party verifications of a consumer's intent to switch carriers.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.1100 to 64.1170; 47 CFR 64.1190; 47 CFR 64.1195 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 258

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
MO&O on Recon and FNPRM	08/14/1997	62 FR 43493
FNPRM Comment Period End	09/30/1997	
Second R&O and Second FNPRM	02/16/1999	64 FR 7745
First Order on Recon	04/13/2000	65 FR 47678
Third R&O and Second Order on Recon	11/08/2000	65 FR 66934
Third FNPRM	01/29/2001	66 FR 8093
Order	03/01/2001	66 FR 12877
First R&O and Fourth R&O	06/06/2001	66 FR 30334
Second FNPRM	03/17/2003	68 FR 19176
Third Order on Recon	03/17/2003	68 FR 19152
Second FNPRM Comment Period End	06/17/2003	
Fourth Order on Recon & First Order on Recon	07/17/2004	
Fifth Order on Recon (Release Date)	11/24/2004	
Order	02/04/2008	73 FR 6444
Fourth R&O	03/12/2008	73 FR 13144

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Access Charge Reform

Abstract: On December 24, 1996, the Commission initiated a rulemaking to revise its access charge rules to make them compatible with a competitive market envisioned by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. On May 7, 1997, in the Access Charge Reform Order, the Commission adopted revised access charge rate structure rules and adjusted the price cap productivity factor. The Commission also adopted a market-based approach to reducing overall access charge levels and moving such levels toward forward-looking economic costs. On July 10, 1997, on its own motion, and on October 9, 1997, in response to reconsideration petitions, the Commission revised or clarified certain parts of the rules adopted in the May 1997 Access Charge Reform Order. Reconsideration petitions filed in response to the Access Charge Reform Order, if not yet addressed, will be addressed in future reconsideration orders. On November 26, 1997, in the General Support Facilities Order, the Commission adopted rules requiring price cap carriers to adjust the allocation of General Support Facilities costs and to reduce their price cap indices to ensure that regulated access rates do not recover those costs which are related to nonregulated services. Reconsideration petitions filed in response to the November 1997 General Support Facilities Order were withdrawn and the reconsideration proceeding was terminated effective September 9, 2004. On May 27, 1999, the Commission initiated a further rulemaking, seeking comment on how to adjust interstate access charges in conjunction with the removal from access charges of implicit universal service support for non-rural local exchange carriers. On August 5, 1999, the Commission adopted rules implementing the market-based approach to access charge reform, pursuant to which incumbent price cap local exchange carriers receive progressively greater pricing flexibility as competition develops. The Commission also initiated a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, seeking comment on additional pricing flexibility, proposed changes to the rate structure for local switching and tandem-switched transport, and the need to constrain access charges imposed by competitive local exchange carriers. On April 26, 2001, the Commission adopted rules governing competitive local exchange carrier (LEC) access charges in the CLEC Access Charge Order. Specifically, the Commission limited to a declining benchmark the amounts that competitive LECs may tariff for interstate access services, restricted the interstate access rates of competitive LECs entering new markets to the rates of the competing incumbent LEC, and established a rural exemption permitting qualifying carriers to charge rates above the benchmark for their interstate access services. On May 31, 2000, in the CALLS Order, the Commission adopted an industry proposal (the CALLS Proposal) establishing a 5-year plan for price cap local exchange carriers and resolving many outstanding issues concerning interstate access charges and interstate universal service. On April 27, 2001, the Commission revised its tariff rules to establish benchmark access rates for competitive local exchange carriers, whereby access rates at or below the benchmark will be presumed just and reasonable and may be imposed by tariff, and access rates above the benchmark will be mandatorily detariffed. The Commission adopted a rural exemption to this benchmark scheme, recognizing that a higher level of access charges is justified for certain carriers serving rural areas. On May 21, 2001, the Commission determined that price cap local exchange carriers should not be permitted to assess prescribed interexchange carrier charges on special access lines. On June 4, 2002, the Commission concluded a cost review proceeding in which it determined that price cap carriers' forward-looking costs justified scheduled increases to the subscriber line charge cap. On June 24, 2003, in response to a petition for reconsideration, the Commission adopted a rule exempting payphone lines from the presubscribed interexchange carrier charge (PICC). On July 10, 2003, in response to a remand by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, the Commission released an order reaffirming two aspects of the CALLS Order: the sizing of the interstate access universal service support mechanism at \$650 million, and the adoption of a 6.5 percent X-factor. On May 18, 2004, the Commission released an order that denied seven petitions for reconsideration of the CLEC Access Charge Order, clarified application of the CLEC access charge rules in several respects, and allowed originating 8YY traffic to be governed by the same declining benchmark as other competitive LEC interstate access traffic. On March 5, 2007, the Wireline Competition Bureau (the Bureau) released a Public Notice inviting interested parties to update the record pertaining to petitions for reconsideration filed with respect to the rules the Commission adopted in the CALLS Order. Specifically, the Bureau requested that parties that filed petitions for reconsideration of the CALLS Order file a supplemental notice indicating those issues that they still wish to be reconsidered. The only remaining petition for reconsideration was that filed by Pathfinder. No other notices were received in response to the request to update the record pertaining to petitions for reconsideration. The Pathfinder petition for reconsideration was dismissed as moot on July 3, 2007.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant
Major: No

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 61.41 to 61.49; 47 CFR 69 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) to 154(j); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 553

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/31/1997	62 FR 4670
FNPRM	06/06/1997	62 FR 31040
Second R&O	06/11/1997	62 FR 31939
R&O	06/11/1997	62 FR 31868
NPRM	07/17/1997	62 FR 38244
Order on Recon	07/29/1997	62 FR 40460
Second Order on Recon	10/29/1997	62 FR 56121
Third R&O	12/15/1997	62 FR 65619
Public Notice	10/09/1998	63 FR 54430
Third Order on Recon	10/15/1998	63 FR 55334
Fourth R&O and FNPRM	06/09/1999	64 FR 30949
Fifth R&O and FNPRM	09/22/1999	64 FR 51258
NPRM	10/04/1999	64 FR 53648
Public Notice	06/26/2000	65 FR 39335
Sixth R&O	06/21/2000	65 FR 38684
Seventh R&O and FNPRM	05/21/2001	66 FR 27892
Order	07/20/2001	66 FR 37943
Order	06/25/2002	67 FR 42735
Order on Recon	07/22/2003	68 FR 43327
Order on Remand	08/20/2003	68 FR 50077
Eighth R&O, Fifth Order on Recon	06/24/2004	69 FR 35258
Public Notice	08/10/2004	69 FR 48492
Public Notice	09/28/2004	69 FR 57914
Notice	08/01/2007	72 FR 42087

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Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Abstract: On August 8, 1996, the Commission adopted the Local Competition Second Report and Order (FCC 96-333), implementing the dialing parity, nondiscriminatory access, network disclosure, and numbering administration provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. On July 19, 1999, the Commission released the First Order on Reconsideration (FCC 99-170), denying the petition for reconsideration of the Local Competition Second Report and Order filed by Beehive Telephone Company, Inc., which related to numbering administration. On September 9, 1999, the Commission released the Second Order on Reconsideration (FCC 99-227), resolving petitions for reconsideration of rules adopted in the Local Competition Second Report and Order to implement the requirement of 47 U.S.C. section 251(b)(3) that LECs provide non-discriminatory access to directory assistance, directory listing and operator services. At the same time, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) (also FCC 99-227) seeking comment on issues related to developments in, and the convergence of, directory publishing and directory assistance. On October 21, 1999, the Commission released the Third Order on

Reconsideration (FCC 99-243), resolving the remaining petitions for reconsideration regarding numbering administration under 47 U.S.C. section 251(e)(1). On January 29, 2002, the Commission released an Order on Reconsideration (FCC02-11) dismissing petitions for reconsideration or clarification of the Local Competition Second Report and Order regarding dialing parity under 47 U.S.C. section 251(b)(3) and network disclosure under 47 U.S.C. section 251(c)(5). On January 23, 2001, the Commission released a First Report and Order (FCC 01-27) resolving issues raised in the September 9, 1999 NPRM and concluding, among other things, that competing directory assistance (DA) providers that are certified as competitive local exchange carriers (competitive LECs), are agents of competitive LECs, or that offer call completion services are entitled to nondiscriminatory access to LEC local DA databases. On January 9, 2002, the Commission released the Directory Assistance NPRM (FCC 01-384), in which the Commission solicited comment on whether there is sufficient competition in the retail DA market, and if not, what if any action the Commission should take to promote such competition. The Commission sought specific comment on whether alternative dialing methods would promote competition. Proposed methods include: (1) presubscription to 411; (2) utilizing national 555 numbers; (3) utilizing carrier access codes (1010 numbers); and (4) utilizing 411XX numbers. The Commission also sought comment on whether the 411 dialing code should be eliminated. This proceeding is pending before the Commission. On May 3, 2005, the Commission released an Order on Reconsideration (FCC 05-93) resolving petitions for reconsideration of the Second Order on Reconsideration and the First Report and Order. The Commission clarified its rules regarding the use of DA data obtained pursuant to section 251(b)(3) of the Act, and denied BellSouth and SBC's joint petition for reconsideration which sought authority to place contractual restrictions on competing DA providers' use of DA information. The Commission reaffirmed that LECs are required to provide nondiscriminatory access to their entire local DA database including local DA data acquired from third parties. The Commission also accepted Qwest's request to withdraw its petition for reconsideration of the First Report and Order, and resolved SBC's petition for reconsideration of the Second Order on Reconsideration.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 51 and 52 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 to 155; 47 USC 157; 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 207 to 209; 47 USC 218

Legal Deadline:

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory		08/08/1996

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/25/1996	61 FR 18311
NPRM Comment Period End	06/03/1996	
Order	09/06/1996	61 FR 47284
Second Order on Recon	09/27/1999	64 FR 51910
NPRM	09/27/1999	64 FR 51949
Third Order on Recon	11/18/1999	64 FR 62983
First R&O	02/21/2001	66 FR 10965
NPRM	02/14/2002	67 FR 6902
Order on Recon	08/17/2005	70 FR 48290

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Federal; State

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Title: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Access to Telecommunications Services Equipment and

Customer Premise Equipment for Persons With Disabilities

Abstract: This proceeding is initiated to implement the provisions of sections 255 and 251(a)(2) of the Communications Act and related sections of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 regarding the accessibility of telecommunications equipment and services to persons with disabilities.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 6 and 7 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 255; 47 USC 251(a)(2)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Notice	03/07/1996	61 FR 9164
Notice	07/30/1996	61 FR 39657
R&O	08/14/1996	61 FR 42181
NOI	09/26/1996	61 FR 50465
Notice	10/23/1996	61 FR 54999
NPRM	05/22/1998	63 FR 28456
Notice	10/28/1998	63 FR 57686
Notice	04/19/1999	64 FR 19178
Notice	04/13/1999	64 FR 18021
Notice	06/02/1999	64 FR 29644
Further NOI	11/19/1999	64 FR 63277
R&O	11/19/1999	64 FR 63235
Public Notice	07/13/2000	65 FR 43372
Public Notice	01/07/2002	67 FR 678
Notice	04/23/2002	67 FR 19753
Notice	09/06/2002	67 FR 57009
Notice	10/30/2002	67 FR 66154
Notice	07/29/2004	69 FR 45318
Public Notice	07/21/2004	69 FR 43586
Notice	02/14/2005	70 FR 7503
Notice	04/06/2005	70 FR 17456
Public Notice	07/20/2005	70 FR 41754
Notice	03/29/2006	71 FR 15738
Notice	07/26/2006	71 FR 42396
Public Notice	08/02/2006	71 FR 43768
Notice	08/06/2007	72 FR 43638
R&O	08/06/2007	72 FR 43546
Comment Period End	10/05/2007	
Notice	12/11/2007	72 FR 70324
Notice	12/10/2007	72 FR 69686
PRA Comment Period End	02/08/2008	
Notice	03/06/2008	73 FR 12174
Notice/Announcement of Effective Date	03/20/2008	73 FR 14941
PRA Comment Period End	04/07/2008	
Final Rule: Notice Removal	04/21/2008	73 FR 21251
Order	05/15/2008	73 FR 28057
Notice	06/13/2008	73 FR 33820
Public Notice	08/01/2008	73 FR 45008

Additional Information: Additional Bureau: Wireline Competition Bureau; Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Organizations

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Enhanced 911 Services for Wireline

Abstract: The rules generally will assist State governments in drafting legislation that will ensure that multi-line telephone systems are compatible with the enhanced 911 network.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.706; 47 CFR 64.708; 47 CFR 68.2 to 68.3(a); 47 CFR 68.228; 47 CFR 68.308; 47 CFR 68.310 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201; 47 USC 222; 47 USC 251

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/11/1994	59 FR 54878
FNPRM	01/23/2003	68 FR 3214
Second FNPRM	02/11/2004	69 FR 6595
R&O	02/11/2004	69 FR 6578
Public Notice	01/13/2005	70 FR 2405

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
 Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State;
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Title: Computer III Further Remand Proceedings: Bell Operating Company Provision of Enhanced Services

Abstract: On January 30, 1998, the FCC released a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM) proposing to streamline the safeguards under which the Bell Operating Companies (BOCs) provide information (or enhanced) services, such as voice mail and electronic messaging. The FCC sought comment on tentative conclusions relating to nonstructural safeguards, Comparably Efficient Interconnection (CEI) plans, and network information disclosure rules, among other things. Finally, the FNPRM sought to build a record on which to respond to a partial remand of certain orders by the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. On February 25, 1999, the Commission adopted a Report and Order which streamlined the Commission's CEI and network information disclosure rules. Although the BOCs must continue to comply with their CEI obligations, they are

no longer required to obtain pre-approval of their CEI plans and amendments from the Commission before initiating or altering an intra-LATA information service. Instead, the Commission requires the BOCs to post their CEI plans on their publicly accessible Internet sites, and to notify the Wireline Competition Bureau upon such posting. The Commission removed the network information disclosure rules set forth in the Computer II and Computer III proceedings, with the narrow exception of the Computer II rules that require carriers to disclose changes that could affect how customer premises equipment (CPE) is attached to the network. On March 7, 2001, the FCC released a Public Notice requesting further comment on the outstanding issues discussed in its January 30, 1998, FNPRM. Because the issues in this FNPRM overlap with certain issues that the Commission is now considering in a separate docket regarding broadband services, the Commission incorporated the FNPRM into the broadband proceeding insofar as the FNPRM relates to the BOCs' obligations to promote access to their networks with respect to broadband services. The broadband proceeding is entitled, "Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities; Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers," CC Docket No. 02-33. On August 5, 2005, the Commission adopted a Report and Order and NPRM that establishes a new regulatory framework for wireline broadband Internet access services offered by facilities-based providers, including the BOCs. This Order became effective on November 16, 2006, and immediately relieved the BOCs of all Computer Inquiry requirements with respect to wireline broadband Internet access services. The Order also included an NPRM seeking comment on consumer protection obligations applicable to all providers of broadband Internet access service. The Order does not implicate the rules discussed in the January 30, 1998 FNPRM regarding the provision of access to narrowband transmission associated with dial-up Internet access or other narrowband information services.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 51; 47 CFR 53; 47 CFR 64 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 161; 47 USC 202 to 205; 47 USC 251; 47 USC 271; 47 USC 272; 47 USC 274 to 276

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
FNPRM	02/26/1998	63 FR 9749
R&O	03/24/1999	64 FR 14141
Public Notice	03/15/2001	66 FR 15064
NPRM	02/15/2002	67 FR 9232
NPRM Comment Period End	05/03/2002	
Reply Comment Period End	07/01/2002	
R&O (adopted date)	08/05/2005	
R&O/NPRM	09/23/2005	70 FR 60259
FNPRM Comment Period End	01/17/2006	
Reply Comment Period End	03/01/2006	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: In the Matter of the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act

Abstract: All of the decisions in this proceeding thus far are aimed at implementation of provisions of the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: Yes
 CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 229; 47 USC 1001 to 1008
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/10/1997	62 FR 63302
Order	01/13/1998	63 FR 1943
FNPRM	11/16/1998	63 FR 63639
R&O	01/29/1999	64 FR 51462
Order	03/29/1999	64 FR 14834
Order on Recon	09/28/1999	64 FR 52244
Third R&O	09/24/1999	64 FR 51710
Second R&O	09/23/1999	64 FR 51462
Policy Statement	10/12/1999	64 FR 55164
Second Order on Recon	05/04/2001	66 FR 22446
Order	10/05/2001	66 FR 50841
Order on Remand	05/02/2002	67 FR 21999
NPRM	09/23/2004	69 FR 56976
First R&O	10/13/2005	70 FR 59704
Second R&O	07/05/2006	71 FR 38091

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Title: In the Matter of the Telecommunications Relay Services, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, and the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (CC Docket No. 90-571)

Abstract: This item addresses the requirement that telecommunications relay services be capable of handling any type of call normally provided by common carriers, including coin sent-paid calls.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant
 Major: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.601 to 64.604; 47 CFR 64.606 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 225
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

NPRM	12/04/1990	55 FR 50037
R&O and Request for Comments	08/01/1991	56 FR 36729
Order on Recon & Second R&O	03/03/1993	58 FR 12175
FNPRM	03/30/1993	58 FR 12204
MO&O	11/28/1995	60 FR 58626
Order	09/08/1997	62 FR 47152
Second NPRM	04/05/2001	66 FR 18059
Fifth R&O	02/07/2003	68 FR 6352
R & O (Correction)	02/24/2003	68 FR 8553
Recon of Fifth R&O and Order Comment Deadline	04/04/2003	
Public Notice	04/15/2003	68 FR 18205
Comment Period End for Petitions for Recon	04/30/2003	
Notice	08/27/2004	69 FR 52694
Notice	09/01/2004	69 FR 53442
Petitions for Recon of Fifth R&O Denied	09/01/2004	69 FR 53346
Comment Period End	11/01/2004	
Public Notice	11/12/2004	69 FR 65401
Comment Period End	11/30/2004	
Notice	12/27/2004	69 FR 77246
Comment Period End	01/26/2005	
Notice	04/06/2005	70 FR 17456
Notice	04/19/2006	71 FR 20101

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Title: Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals With Hearing and Speech Disabilities, Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)

Abstract: Title IV of the ADA requires the Commission to ensure that TRS is available to the extent possible in the most efficient manner to persons with hearing or speech disabilities in the United States. TRS enables an individual with a hearing or speech disability to communicate by telephone or other assistive communication device. The Commission issued its first order pursuant to title IV of the ADA implementing TRS on July 26, 1991, CC Docket No. 90-571. Since 1991, the Commission has revisited the regulations governing TRS on numerous occasions, in part, to make available to consumers new forms of TRS, and to amend the mandatory minimum standards to improve the quality of TRS, consistent with the goal of functional equivalency set forth in section 225. Through these actions the Commission has broadly defined TRS to include any service that enables persons with hearing or speech disabilities to use the telecommunications network to communicate by wire or radio, and not to be limited to either telecommunications service or services that require a TTY. This docket and RIN flow from CC Docket No. 90-571 AND RIN 3060-AG75.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.601; 47 CFR 64.603 to 64.606 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 225

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/20/1998	63 FR 32798
NPRM Comment Period End	09/14/1998	
FNPRM	06/21/2000	65 FR 38490
R&O	06/21/2000	65 FR 38432
Public Notice	07/19/2001	66 FR 37631
Public Notice Correction	08/03/2001	66 FR 40666
Public Notice	08/15/2001	66 FR 42858
Public Notice Correction	10/26/2001	66 FR 54165
FNPRM	01/29/2002	67 FR 4227
MO&O	01/29/2002	67 FR 4203
FNPRM	06/11/2002	67 FR 39929
Declaratory Ruling	06/11/2002	67 FR 39863
Public Notice	07/29/2002	67 FR 49024
Public Notice	07/24/2002	67 FR 48415
Comment Period End	08/12/2002	
Public Notice	08/26/2002	67 FR 57641
Public Notice	10/31/2002	67 FR 66400
Public Notice	10/31/2002	67 FR 66399
Public Notice	10/31/2002	67 FR 66397
Public Notice	12/17/2002	67 FR 77272
Public Notice	01/27/2003	68 FR 3880
Fifth R&O	02/07/2003	68 FR 6352
Fifth R&O Correction	02/24/2003	68 FR 8553
Public Notice	03/04/2003	68 FR 10245
Order on Recon	04/06/2003	68 FR 18826
Notice	04/16/2003	68 FR 18828
Waiver & Clarification	04/16/2003	68 FR 18826
Comment Period End	04/21/2003	
Notice	05/29/2003	68 FR 32038
Public Notice	05/30/2003	68 FR 32511
NPRM	06/23/2003	68 FR 37158
Public Notice	07/25/2003	68 FR 44082
Public Notice	08/04/2003	68 FR 45819
Public Notice	08/18/2003	68 FR 49478
Notice	08/14/2003	68 FR 48609
Public Notice	08/18/2003	68 FR 49478
Notice	08/25/2003	68 FR 51014
Second R&O and Order on Recon	08/25/2003	68 FR 50973
NPRM	08/25/2003	68 FR 50993
Public Notice	08/20/2003	68 FR 50146
Declaratory Ruling	09/29/2003	68 FR 55898
Public Notice	09/29/2003	68 FR 55955
Notice	10/27/2003	68 FR 61217
Comment Period End	10/30/2003	
Public Notice	11/07/2003	68 FR 63029
Notice	11/30/2003	68 FR 62249
Public Notice	12/01/2003	68 FR 67166
Notice	12/24/2003	68 FR 74504
Public Notice	12/31/2003	68 FR 75559
Notice	02/24/2004	69 FR 8331
Notice	03/26/2004	69 FR 15730
Notice	07/28/2004	69 FR 44970
Public Notice	07/26/2004	69 FR 44534
Comment Period End	08/30/2004	
Notice	09/01/2004	69 FR 53442
FNPRM	09/01/2004	69 FR 53382
R&O and Order on Recon	09/01/2004	69 FR 53346
Correction	09/17/2004	69 FR 55985
Correction	09/24/2004	69 FR 57231
Comment Period End re: 69 FR 53442	11/01/2004	

Public Notice	11/15/2004	69 FR 64573
Comment Period End re: 69 FR 53382	11/15/2004	
Comment Period End	11/30/2004	
Notice	12/27/2004	69 FR 77246
Public Notice	01/13/2005	70 FR 2360
Comment Period End	01/19/2005	
Public Notice	01/11/2005	70 FR 1894
Public Notice	02/17/2005	70 FR 8034
Declaratory Ruling/Interpretation	02/25/2005	70 FR 9239
Comment Period End	03/04/2005	
Public Notice	03/07/2005	70 FR 10930
Public Notice	03/16/2005	70 FR 12884
Order	03/23/2005	70 FR 14568
Notice	04/06/2005	70 FR 17456
Public Notice/Announcement of Date	04/06/2005	70 FR 17334
Order on Recon	04/06/2005	70 FR 17330
Comment Period End	05/02/2005	
Public Notice	05/11/2005	70 FR 24790
Comment Period End	05/25/2005	
Order	07/01/2005	70 FR 38134
R&O	08/31/2005	70 FR 51649
Order on Recon	08/31/2005	70 FR 51643
Notice	09/14/2005	70 FR 54381
Order/Clarification	09/14/2005	70 FR 54294
Notice	01/11/2006	71 FR 1753
Comment Period End	02/10/2006	
Notice	03/24/2006	71 FR 14893
Notice	04/19/2006	71 FR 20101

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Title: Development of Operational, Technical, and Spectrum Requirements for Public Safety Communications Requirements

Abstract: This item takes steps toward developing a flexible regulatory framework to meet vital current and future public safety communications needs.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 337(a); 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/09/1997	62 FR 60199
Second NPRM	11/07/1997	62 FR 60199
Third NPRM	11/02/1998	63 FR 58685
First R&O	11/02/1998	63 FR 58645

MO&O	11/04/1999	64 FR 60123
Second R&O	08/08/2000	65 FR 48393
Fourth NPRM	08/25/2000	65 FR 51788
Second MO&O	09/05/2000	65 FR 53641
Third MO&O	11/07/2000	65 FR 66644
Third R&O	11/07/2000	65 FR 66644
Fifth NPRM	02/16/2001	66 FR 10660
Fourth R&O	02/16/2001	66 FR 10632
MO&O	09/27/2002	67 FR 61002
NPRM	11/08/2002	67 FR 68079
R&O	12/13/2002	67 FR 76697
R&O	04/27/2005	70 FR 21671
NPRM	04/27/2005	70 FR 21726
NPRM	04/07/2006	71 FR 17786
NPRM	09/21/2006	71 FR 55149
Ninth NPRM	01/10/2007	72 FR 1201
Ninth NPRM Comment Period End	02/26/2007	
R&O and FNPRM	05/02/2007	72 FR 24238
R&O and FNPRM Comment Period End	05/23/2007	
Second R&O	08/24/2007	72 FR 48814
Second FNPRM	05/21/2008	73 FR 29582

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 96-86; WT Docket No. 06-150; CC Docket No. 94-102; WT Docket No. 01-309; WT Docket No. 03-264; WT Docket No. 06-169; PS Docket No. 06-229; WT Docket No. 07-166

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions Government Levels Affected: Local; State

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Title: Multiple Access Systems

Abstract: This proceeding amended the FCC's rules regarding multiple address systems (MAS) in the microwave service. It streamlined regulations and established a framework for MAS spectrum that provides opportunities for continued development of competitive service offerings by allowing a variety of services.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 101 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302 to 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/19/1997	62 FR 11407
Order	09/17/1998	63 FR 53350
FNPRM	05/18/1999	64 FR 38617
R&O	04/03/2000	65 FR 17445

MO&O	07/03/2001	66 FR 35107
Final Rule	07/22/2004	69 FR 43772

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Title: Amendment of Part I of the Commission's Rules--Competitive Bidding Procedures

Abstract: This proceeding proposes to amend and modify the competitive bidding rules for all auctionable services.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 21; 47 CFR 24; 47 CFR 27; 47 CFR 90; 47 CFR 95 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/21/1997	62 FR 13570
NPRM Comment Period End	04/16/1997	
Second FNPRM	01/07/1998	63 FR 770
Third R&O	01/15/1998	63 FR 2315
Fourth FNPRM	08/29/2000	65 FR 52401
Fifth R&O, Order on Recon	08/29/2000	65 FR 52323
Seventh R&O	10/29/2001	66 FR 54447
Eighth R&O	04/08/2002	67 FR 16647
Second Order on Recon of Third R&O and Order on Recon of Fifth R&O	07/21/2003	68 FR 42984
Final Rule	10/07/2003	68 FR 57828
Final Rule	09/30/2005	70 FR 57183

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 97-82

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Title: Digital Must Carry (CS Docket No. 98-120)

Abstract: Section 614(b)(4)(B) of the Communications Act requires that, at the time the Commission prescribes standards for advanced television, it should "initiate a proceeding to establish any changes in the signal carriage requirements of cable television systems necessary to ensure cable carriage of those broadcast signals of local commercial television stations which have been changed to conform with such modified standards." In August of 1998, the FCC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comments on the requirements of that section. In June 2000, based on responses to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission clarified that DTV-only television stations, in the context of auctioning analog channels 59-69, will ultimately have must carry rights. In January of 2001, the Commission issued a First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking resolving a number of technical and legal issues, including clarification that digital-only TV stations are entitled to mandatory carriage. In the Second Report and Order and First Order on Reconsideration, adopted in February 2005, the Commission affirmed its tentative conclusion not to impose dual carriage and affirmed its prior determination that broadcasters were entitled to carriage of one digital programming stream. In the Third Report and Order and Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking adopted in September 2007, the Commission addressed issues concerning the carriage of digital broadcast television signals after the conclusion of the digital television transition. The Commission adopted rules to ensure that cable subscribers will continue to be able to view broadcast stations after the transition.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 534

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/07/1998	63 FR 42330
MO&O and FNPRM	07/12/2000	65 FR 42879
First R&O	03/26/2001	66 FR 16533
FNPRM	03/26/2001	66 FR 16523
Second R&O and First Order on Recon	03/22/2005	70 FR 14412
Second FNPRM	06/06/2007	72 FR 31244
Second FNPRM Comment Period End	07/16/2007	
Third R&O and Third FNPRM	02/01/2008	73 FR 6043

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: Cable Horizontal and Vertical Ownership Limits (MM Docket No. 92-264)

Abstract: Section 613 of the Communications Act requires the Commission to "prescribe rules and regulations establishing reasonable limits on the number of cable subscribers a person is authorized to reach through cable systems owned by such person, or in which such person has an attributable interest." On October 8, 1999, the Commission issued a Third Report and Order, FCC 99-289, in this matter. The Commission revised the horizontal ownership rules as follows: (1) All multichannel video subscribers will be counted when calculating the 30 percent ownership limit; (2) actual subscriber numbers, rather than potential subscriber numbers, will be used for calculating an owner's share; and (3) the minority exception which allowed a 35 percent ownership limit for minority-owned entities under certain circumstances was eliminated. On March 2, 2001, the District of Columbia Circuit Court reversed and remanded the cable horizontal and vertical limits, as well as two aspects of the attribution rules used to determine compliance with these limits. (Time Warner Entertainment Co. v. FCC, 240 F.3d 1126 (DC cir. 2001)). Pursuant to the court's remand, the Commission solicited comment in a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (September 2001) and a Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. In the Fourth Report & Order, the Commission set the cable horizontal ownership limit at 30 percent. In the accompanying Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, comment was sought on issues regarding the cable attribution rules and appropriate channel occupancy limits.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 533

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Second MO&O on Recon and FNPRM	07/14/1998	63 FR 37790
Third R&O	12/01/1999	64 FR 67198
Order on Recon	03/08/2000	65 FR 12135
MO&O	06/08/2000	65 FR 36382
FNPRM	10/11/2001	66 FR 51905
Second FNPRM	06/18/2005	70 FR 33680
Fourth R&O and FNPRM	02/29/2008	73 FR 11048

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Amendment of Part 90 of the Rules To Adopt Regulations for Automatic Vehicle Monitoring Systems

Abstract: This Second Report and Order adopts rules and procedures governing competitive bidding for multilateration Location and Monitoring Service (LMS) frequencies.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 90 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 251 and 252; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

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Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/06/1997	62 FR 52078
NPRM Comment Period End	11/20/1997	
Second R&O	07/30/1998	63 FR 40659
NPRM	05/03/1999	64 FR 23571

Additional Information: The NPRM sought comment on the LMS auction following the general competitive bidding procedures of part 1, subpart Q; the establishment of a small business definition for LMS; whether small business provisions are sufficient to promote participation by businesses owned by minorities, women or rural telephone companies; partitioning and disaggregation. PR Docket No. 93-61

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Fixed Satellite Service and Terrestrial System in the Ku-Band

Abstract: The Memorandum Opinion and Order and 2nd Report and Order addressed petitions for reconsideration and established technical, service, and licensing rules for Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service (MVDDS) in the 12 GHz band. MVDDS will facilitate the delivery of new communications services, such as video and broadband services, to a wide range of populations, including those that are unserved or underserved. These rules will allow MVDDS licensees to share the 12 GHz band with new operators on a com-primary basis, and non-harmful interference basis with incumbent Direct Broadcast Satellite service providers.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 157; 47 USC 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/12/1999	64 FR 1786
Order	02/16/1999	64 FR 7577
Public Notice	12/15/1999	64 FR 70028
FNPRM	01/24/2001	66 FR 7607
R&O	02/16/2001	66 FR 10601
Petitions for Recon	04/09/2001	66 FR 18474
Second R&O	06/26/2002	67 FR 43031
Third R&O	06/18/2003	68 FR 42610
Order To Deny	07/25/2003	68 FR 43942
Final Rule	05/18/2004	69 FR 28062
Final Rule	06/07/2004	69 FR 28062
Correcting Amendment	10/04/2004	69 FR 59145

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 98-206

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Allocate & Designate: Spec for Fixed-Sat Srv (37.5-38.5, 40.5-41.5 & 48.2-50.2 GHz Bands); Allocate: Fixed & Mobile 40.5-42.5 GHz; Wireless 46.9-47 GHz; Gov Oper 37-38 & 40-40.5 GHz (IB Docket No. 97)

Abstract: This item adopts a plan for non-government operations in the 36.0-51.4 GHz portion of the V-band, establishing priorities for different services in different parts of this band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2.106; 47 CFR 25.202; 47 CFR 25.208 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 301 and 302; 47 USC 303(e) to 303(g); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 304; 47 USC 307

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/04/1997	62 FR 16129
R&O	01/15/1999	64 FR 2585
Correction	02/08/1999	64 FR 6138
Correction	02/10/1999	64 FR 6565
Notice of Petition for Recon	03/22/1999	64 FR 13796
Order on Recon	12/01/1999	
FNPRM	07/05/2001	66 FR 35399
Second R&O	08/25/2004	69 FR 52198

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
 Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Local; State; Tribal

Federalism: No

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Title: 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review--Review of Accounts Settlement in Maritime Mobile and Maritime Mobile-Satellite Radio Services; (IB Docket No. 98-96)

Abstract: The FCC seeks comment regarding Accounts Settlement in the Maritime Mobile and Maritime Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) Radio Services.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 3.10(e) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/24/1998	63 FR 39800
FNPRM	07/28/1999	64 FR 40808
R&O	07/28/1999	64 FR 40774
Comment Period Extended	09/03/1999	64 FR 48337

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: Service Rules for the 746-764 and 776-794 MHz Bands, and Revisions to the Commission's Rules

Abstract: The Report and Order in this proceeding adopts service rules for licensing and auction of commercial services in spectrum in the 700 MHz band to be vacated by UHF television licensees.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 1; 47 USC 4(i); 47 USC 7; 47 USC 10; 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307 and 308; 47 USC 309(j) and 309(k); 47 USC 310 and 311; 47 USC 315; 47 USC 317; 47 USC 324; 47 USC 331 and 332; 47 USC 336

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/07/1999	64 FR 36686
R&O	01/20/2000	65 FR 3139
Second R&O	04/04/2000	65 FR 17594
MO&O and FNPRM	07/12/2000	65 FR 42879
Second MO&O	02/06/2001	66 FR 9035
Second MO&O	02/15/2001	66 FR 10374
Third R&O	02/14/2001	66 FR 10204
Order on Recon of Third R&O	10/10/2001	66 FR 51594
Third MO&O and Order	07/30/2002	67 FR 49244

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 99-168; CS Docket No. 98-120; MM Docket No. 00-39

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Implementation of the Communications Act of 1934 as Amended

Abstract: In the Fourth Memorandum Opinion and Order in WT Docket No. 99-87 (Fourth Memorandum Opinion and Order), the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) clarifies the Commission's Third Report and Order in this docket, and takes the opportunity to correct the inadvertent deletion of language in the rules regarding the schedule for Private Land Mobile Radio systems in the 150-174 MHz and 421-512 MHz bands to transition to narrowband kHz technology.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 24; 47 CFR 26 and 27; 47 CFR 73 and 74; 47 CFR 80; 47 CFR 87 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/03/1999	64 FR 23571
R&O	01/02/2001	66 FR 33
MO&O	05/16/2002	67 FR 34848
NPRM	07/17/2003	68 FR 42337
R&O	07/17/2003	68 FR 42296
Order	04/06/2004	69 FR 17959
Final Rule	05/11/2005	70 FR 24712
NPRM	06/15/2005	70 FR 34726
Final Rule	06/15/2005	70 FR 34666
Final Rule	07/15/2005	70 FR 41631
Final Rule	04/18/2007	72 FR 19387
Fourth MO&O	06/17/2008	73 FR 34201

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 99-87

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
 Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: Local; State

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Title: Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems (MM Docket No. 99-325)

Abstract: The rulemaking proceeding was initiated to foster the development and implementation of terrestrial digital audio broadcasting (DAB). The transition to DAB promises the benefits that have generally accompanied digitalization--better audio fidelity, more robust transmission systems, and the possibility of new auxiliary services. In the First Report and Order, the Commission selected in-band, on-channel as the technology that will permit AM and FM radio broadcasters to introduce digital operations. Consideration of formal standard-setting procedures and related broadcasting licensing and service rule changes are addressed in a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Further technical guidance is provided in a Second Report and Order.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/09/1999	64 FR 61054
First R&O	12/23/2002	67 FR 78193
FNPRM and NOI	05/14/2004	69 FR 27815
Second R&O	08/15/2007	72 FR 45712

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Amendment of the Rules To License Fixed Services at 24 GHz

Abstract: This rulemaking proposes licensing and service rules to govern the 24 GHz band generally.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1 to 2; 47 CFR 101 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/20/1999	64 FR 71088
R&O	08/05/2000	65 FR 59350
Order	06/01/2001	66 FR 29722
NPRM	12/21/2001	66 FR 65866
Final Rule	07/27/2004	69 FR 44608

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 99-327

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations Government Levels Affected: No
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Title: Terrestrial Microwave Fixed Radio Services

Abstract: Proceeding to streamline the Commission's rules, expedite processing of authorizations for terrestrial microwave fixed radio services and clarify rules concerning the terrestrial microwave fixed radio services.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 101 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302 and 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/11/1995	60 FR 2722
R&O	05/28/1996	61 FR 26670
Order	03/05/1998	63 FR 10778
Final Rule Correction	03/24/1998	63 FR 14039
MO&O	06/20/2000	65 FR 38324
NPRM	06/20/2000	65 FR 38333
R&O	01/31/2003	68 FR 4953

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 94-148 (closed); WT Docket No. 00-19

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Local Telephone Networks That LECs Must Make Available to Competitors

Abstract: This revises the rules applicable to incumbent local exchange carriers (LECs) to permit competitive carriers to access portions of the incumbent LECs' networks on an unbundled basis. Unbundling allows competitors to lease portions of the incumbent LECs' network to provide telecommunications services. These rule changes are intended to remove uncertainty regarding the incumbent LECs' unbundling obligations under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and are expected to accelerate the development of local exchange competition. On December 20, 2001, the Commission issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to comprehensively consider the appropriate changes, if any, to its unbundling policies in light of market developments and technological advances. 67 FR 1947. On May 29, 2002, the Commission extended the reply comment date of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to July 17, 2002, to allow all interested parties to incorporate their review and analysis of *USTA v. FCC*, 290 F.3d 415 (D.C. Cir. 2002). On August 21, 2003, the Commission issued a Report and Order, Order on Remand, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, in which the Commission adopted new unbundling requirements. 68 FR 52276. In addition, the Commission initiated a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding whether the Commission should modify the so-called pick-and-choose rule that permits requesting carriers to opt into individual portions of interconnection agreements without accepting all the terms and conditions of such agreements. 68 FR 52307. On September 17, 2003, the Commission issued an Errata correcting the Report and Order and Order on Remand. On October 9, 2003, the Commission issued a Report seeking comment on ten petitions for clarification and/or reconsideration of the Report and Order and Order on Remand released on August 21, 2003. 68 FR 60391. By Order, the Commission denied a request to extend the comment period for petitions for clarification and/or reconsideration. On March 2, 2004, the Commission's August 21, 2003 Report and Order and Order on Remand was affirmed in part and vacated and remanded in part. *USTA v. FCC*, 359 F.3d 554 (D.C. Cir. 2004). On July 13, 2004, the Commission's Second Report and Order concluded the rulemaking proceeding initiated regarding the so-called pick-and-choose rule and determined that an all-or-nothing rule for opting into other interconnection agreements will better promote increased give and take negotiations. 69 FR 43762. On August 9, 2004, the Commission released an Order on Reconsideration addressing in part two petitions for reconsideration of the Commission's fiber-to-the-premises unbundling rules. 69 FR 54589. The Commission clarified in this Order on Reconsideration the applicability of the fiber-to-the-premises rules in multi-dwelling unit buildings. On August 20, 2004, the Commission issued an Interim Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking establishing a new rulemaking proceeding to determine incumbent LEC unbundling obligations as well as establishing interim requirements to govern carrier relationships until the Commission concludes its rulemaking process. 69 FR 55111, 55128. On October 18, 2004, the Commission released an Order on Reconsideration concluding that fiber-to-the-curb (FTTC) loops shall be subject to the same unbundling framework that the Commission established for fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) loops. 69 FR 77950. On February 4, 2005, the Commission released an Order on Remand, 70 FR 8940, responding to the D.C. Circuit's remand of certain parts of the Triennial Review Order, including several aspects of the impairment standard as well as new determinations regarding unbundling requirements for local circuit switching, high-capacity loops, and dedicated transport. Specifically, the Commission determined that incumbent LECs have no obligation to unbundle local circuit switching and adopted a 12-month plan to transition existing customers of unbundled switching to other arrangements. Regarding high-capacity loops, the Commission determined that competing carriers are not impaired (thus, are not entitled to access as UNEs) dark fiber loop circuits. Competing carriers are, however, impaired without access to DS1 and DS3 loops, except in wire centers that meet specific business lines and fiber-based collocation thresholds. Similarly, with respect to dedicated transport, the Commission determined that competing carriers are impaired without access to DS1, DS3 and dark fiber transport, except on routes connecting a pair of wire centers, each containing a specified number of business lines or a specified number of fiber-based collocators. On March 14, 2005, the Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau issued an order denying a petition filed by Verizon seeking a stay of the Commission's rule allowing competitive LECs to "convert" tariffed incumbent LEC special access arrangements to unbundled network element (UNE) arrangements if the competitive LEC is eligible to order the UNE(s) at issue. On April 25, 2005 and May 25, 2005, the Commission issued Public Notices establishing comment periods in response to petitions for reconsideration of the Commission's Order on Remand (Triennial Review Order). On June 16, 2006, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit upheld the Commission's Order on Remand, 70 FR 8940.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 51 (Revision) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 251

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Second FNPRM	04/26/1999	64 FR 20238
Third R&O	01/18/2000	65 FR 2542

Errata Third R&O and Fourth FNPRM	01/18/2000	65 FR 2542
Supplemental Order	01/18/2000	65 FR 2542
Second Errata Third R&O and Fourth FNPRM	01/18/2000	65 FR 2542
Fourth FNPRM	01/14/2000	65 FR 2367
Correction	04/11/2000	65 FR 19334
Supplemental Order Clarification	06/20/2000	65 FR 38214
Public Notice	02/01/2001	66 FR 8555
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Order on Remand	02/04/2004	
Public Notice	02/18/2004	
Second R&O	07/08/2004	69 FR 43762
Order	07/08/2004	
Order on Recon	08/09/2004	69 FR 54589
NPRM	08/20/2004	69 FR 55128
Interim Order	08/20/2004	69 FR 55111
Public Notice	09/13/2004	
Public Notice	09/10/2004	
Public Notice	10/20/2004	
Order on Recon	12/29/2004	69 FR 77950
Public Notice	04/25/2005	70 FR 29313
Public Notice	05/25/2005	70 FR 34765

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Local; State

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Title: Revision of the Rules Regarding Ultra-Wideband Transmission

Abstract: The First Report and Order amends the Commission's rules to permit the marketing and operation of certain types of new products incorporating Ultra-Wideband (UWB) technology. UWB devices operate by employing very narrow or short duration pulses that result in very large or wideband transmission bandwidths. UWB technology holds great promise for a vast array of new applications that we believe will provide significant benefits for public safety, businesses and consumers. With appropriate technical standards, UWB devices can operate using spectrum occupied by existing radio services without causing interference, thereby permitting scarce spectrum resources to be used more efficiently. The Memorandum Opinion and Order responded to fourteen petitions for reconsideration that were filed in response to the regulations for unlicensed ultra-wideband (UWB) operations. In general, this document does not make any significant changes to the existing UWB parameters as the

Commission is reluctant to do so until it has more experience with UWB devices. The Commission believes that any major changes to the rules for existing UWB product categories at this early stage would be disruptive to current industry product development efforts. The Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making proposed new rules to address issues raised by some of the petitions for reconsideration that were outside the scope of the proceeding. New rules were proposed to address issues regarding the operation of low pulse repetition frequency UWB systems, including vehicular radars, in the 3.1-10.6 GHz band; and the operation frequency hopping vehicular radars in the 22-29 GHz band as UWB devices. The Commission also proposed new rules that would establish new peak power limits for wideband part 15 devices that do not operate as UWB devices and proposed to eliminate the definition of a UWB device. The Second Report and Order and Second Memorandum Opinion and Order responds to two petitions for reconsideration that were filed in response to the Commission's decision to establish regulations for unlicensed UWB operation. It also responds to the rule making proposals contained in the Memorandum Opinion and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in this docket. The order establishes new rules for wideband unlicensed devices operating in the 5925-7250 MHz, 16.2-17.7 GHz, and 22.12-29 GHz bands.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302 to 304; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 544A

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/14/2000	65 FR 37332
NPRM Comment Period End	10/12/2000	
First R&O	05/16/2002	67 FR 34852
FNPRM	04/22/2003	68 FR 19773
MO&O	04/22/2003	68 FR 19746
Second R&O and Second MO&O	02/09/2005	70 FR 6771

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 98-153

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

Federalism: No

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Title: Second Periodic Review of Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to DTV

Abstract: On January 18, 2001, the Commission adopted a Report and Order (R&O) and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, addressing a number of issues related to the conversion of the nation's broadcast television system from analog to digital television. The Second Report and Order resolved several major technical issues including the issue of receiver performance standards, DTV tuners, and revisions to certain components of the DTV transmission standard. A subsequent NPRM commenced the Commission's second periodic review of the progress of the digital television conversion. The resulting R&O adopted a multi-step process to create a new DTV table of allotments and authorizations. Also in the R&O, the Commission adopted replication and maximization deadlines for DTV broadcasters and updated rules in recognition revisions to broadcast transmission standards. The Second R&O adopts disclosure requirements for televisions that do not include a digital tuner.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 4(i) and 4(j); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 336

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/23/2000	65 FR 15600
R&O	02/13/2001	66 FR 9973
MO&O	12/18/2001	66 FR 65122
Third MO&O and Order on Recon	10/02/2002	67 FR 61816
Second R&O and Second MO&O	10/11/2002	67 FR 63290
NPRM	02/18/2003	68 FR 7737
R&O	10/04/2004	69 FR 59500
Second R&O	05/10/2007	72 FR 26554

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Amendment of Governing Maritime Communications

Abstract: This matter concerns the amendment of the rules governing maritime communications in order to consolidate, revise and streamline the regulations as well as address new international requirements and improve the operational ability of all users of marine radios.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 13; 47 CFR 80 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302 to 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/24/2000	65 FR 21694
NPRM	08/17/2000	65 FR 50173
NPRM	05/17/2002	67 FR 35086
Report & Order	08/07/2003	68 FR 46957
Second R&O, Sixth R&O, Second FNPRM	04/06/2004	69 FR 18007
Comments Due	06/07/2004	
Reply Comments Due	07/06/2004	
Second R&O and Sixth R&O	11/08/2004	69 FR 64664
NPRM	11/08/2006	71 FR 65447

Final Action	01/25/2008	73 FR 4475
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Additional Information: WT Docket No. 00-48

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

Federalism: No

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Title: Competitive Bidding Procedures

Abstract: This proceeding proposes resumption of installment payments for broadband Personal Communications Services (PCS), e.g., for C and F Block, with payment deadline to be reinstated as of March 31, 1998. The proposal contemplates, inter alia, changes to the FCC's C Block rules to govern re-auction of surrendered spectrum in the C Block. The proposal was released on October 16, 1997, and published in the Federal Register.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 24 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 301 to 303; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
FNPRM	10/24/1997	62 FR 55375
Second R&O	10/24/1997	62 FR 55348
Order on Recon of Second R&O	04/08/1998	63 FR 17111
Fourth R&O	09/23/1998	63 FR 50791
Second Order on Recon of Second R&O	05/18/1999	64 FR 26887
Recon of Fourth R&O	03/16/2000	65 FR 14213
FNPRM	06/13/2000	65 FR 37092
Sixth R&O and Order on Recon	09/05/2000	65 FR 53620
Order on Recon	02/12/2001	66 FR 9773
Seventh R&O	10/29/2001	66 FR 54447
Eighth R&O	04/08/2002	67 FR 16647
Final Rule	07/21/2003	68 FR 42984
Final Rule	10/07/2003	68 FR 57828
Final Rule	09/30/2005	70 FR 57183

Additional Information: The Order on Reconsideration published in the Federal Register in April 1998 addresses 37 petitions, 17 oppositions, 16 replies to opposition, and 38 ex parte filings. WT Docket No. 97-82

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

Federalism: No

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Title: Direct Broadcast Public Interest Obligations (MM Docket No. 93-25)

Abstract: The Commission adopted rules in 1998 that implement section 25 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, as codified at section 335 of the Communications Act of 1934. Section 335 directs the Commission to impose certain public interest obligations on direct broadcast satellite providers. Several petitions for reconsideration are pending.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25; 47 CFR 100 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 335

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/08/1993	58 FR 12917
R&O	02/08/1999	64 FR 52399
Order on Recon	04/28/2004	69 FR 23155
Order on Recon	04/22/2004	69 FR 21761

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Streamlining Earth Station Licensing Rules (IB Docket No. 00-248)

Abstract: The Commission has found several cases in which modifying or eliminating rules could facilitate licensing of earth stations, thereby expediting the provision of useful satellite services to the public, without unreasonably increasing the risk of harmful interference to existing earth station or space station operators, or terrestrial wireless operators in shared frequency bands. Specifically, this NPRM considers the following rule revisions: (1) Codifying streamlined procedures for case-by-case examination of earth stations using "non-routine" antennas, non-routine power levels, or both; (2) relaxing some current requirements, such as increasing power and power density limits, and allowing some temporary fixed earth stations to begin operation sooner than is now permitted; (3) streamlining the very small aperture terminal (VSAT) rules, and revising the Commission's power level rules to provide for various types of VSAT multiple access methods; (4) adopting a simplified license application form for "routine" earth stations; and (5) other miscellaneous rule revisions. The Commission also invites comment on extending these proposed rules to the KA-band. On September 26, 2002, the Commission adopted a Further Notice of

Proposed Rulemaking in this proceeding. This Further NPRM invited comment on refinements to the proposals in the NPRM to relax some earth station technical requirements, and on an alternative to the VSAT proposals in the NPRM. The Further NPRM also seeks comment on proposals made by commenters in response to the First NPRM. In the First Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission extended the license term for earth station licenses from 10 to 15 years. In the Second Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission adopted rules allowing unlicensed receive-only earth stations to receive transmissions from non-U.S.-licensed satellites on the Permitted List. In the Third Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission adopted a streamlined application form for certain earth station licenses, and adopted a mandatory electronic filing requirement for those earth station applications. In the Fourth Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission extended the mandatory electronic filing requirement to all earth station applications. In the Fifth Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission adopted the following proposals from the NPRM: (1) Codifying streamlined procedures for non-routine antennas; (2) relaxing power and power density limits, and allowing routine KU-band temporary fixed earth stations to begin operations sooner; (3) revising certain VSAT rules; and (4) other miscellaneous rule revisions. One petition for reconsideration was filed in response to this Order on July 5, 2005. In the Sixth Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission adopted revisions to the earth station antenna gain pattern requirements, as proposed in the Further Notice. Two petitions for reconsideration were filed in response to this Order on July 8, 2005. In the Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission invited comment on adopting off-axis EIRP envelopes for C-band and KU-band FSS earth stations. In the Seventh Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission considered and rejected its proposal in the NPRM to make revisions to part 23 of its rules.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 23; 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 701 to 744

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/08/2001	66 FR 1283
NPRM Comment Period End	05/07/2001	
First R&O	03/19/2002	67 FR 12485
FNPRM	12/24/2002	67 FR 78399
FNPRM Comment Period End	04/08/2003	
Second R&O (Release Date)	06/20/2003	68 FR 2247
Second FNPRM	09/12/2003	68 FR 53702
Third R&O	11/12/2003	68 FR 63994
Fourth R&O	08/06/2004	69 FR 47790
Third FNPRM	06/08/2005	70 FR 33426
Sixth R&O	06/08/2005	70 FR 33373
Fifth R&O	06/02/2005	70 FR 32249
Seventh R&O	09/28/2005	70 FR 56580
Public Notice/Petition for Recon	10/26/2005	70 FR 61825

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

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Title: New Advanced Wireless Services (ET Docket No. 00-258)

Abstract: This proceeding explores the possible uses of frequency bands below 3 GHz to support the introduction of new advanced wireless services, including third generations as well as future generations of wireless systems. Advanced wireless systems could provide for a wide range of voice data and broadband services over a variety of mobile and fixed networks. The Third Notice of Proposed Rule Making discusses the frequency bands that are still under consideration in this proceeding and invites additional comments on their disposition. Specifically, it addresses the Unlicensed Personal Communications Service (UPCS) band at 1910-1930 MHz, the Multipoint Distribution Service (MDS) spectrum at 2155-2160/62 MHz bands, the Emerging Technology spectrum, at 2160-2165 MHz, and the bands reallocated from MSS 91990-2000 MHz, 2020-2025 MHz and 2165-2180 MHz. We seek comment on these bands with respect to using them for paired or unpaired Advance Wireless Service (AWS) operations or as relocation spectrum for existing services. The 7th Report & Order facilitates the introduction of Advanced Wireless Service (AWS) in the band 1710-1755 MHz--an integral part of a 90 MHz spectrum allocation recently reallocated to allow for such new and innovative wireless services. We largely adopt the proposals set forth in our recent AWS Fourth NPRM in this proceeding that are designed to clear the 1710-1755 MHz band of incumbent Federal Government operations that would otherwise impede the development of new nationwide AWS services. These actions are consistent with previous actions in this proceeding and with the United States Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) 2002 Viability Assessment, which addressed relocation and reaccommodation options for Federal Government operations in the band. The 8th Report and Order reallocated the 2155-2160 MHz band for Fixed and Mobile services and designates the 2155-2175 MHz band for Advanced Wireless Service (AWS) use. This proceeding continues the Commission's ongoing efforts to promote spectrum utilization and efficiency with regard to the provision of new services, including Advanced Wireless Services. The Order requires Broadband Radio Service (BRS) licensees in the 2150-2160/62 MHz band to provide information on the construction status and operational parameters of each incumbent BRS system that would be the subject of relocation. The Notice of Proposed Rule Making requested comments on the specific relocation procedures applicable to Broadband Radio Service (BRS) operations in the 2150-2160/62 MHz band, which the Commission recently decided will be relocated to the newly restructured 2495-2690 MHz band. The Commission also requested comments on the specific relocation procedures applicable to Fixed Microwave Service (FS) operations in the 2160-2175 MHz band. The Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) set forth the specific data that Broadband Radio Service (BRS) licensees in the 2150-2160/62 MHz band must file along with the deadline date and procedures for filing this data on the Commission's Universal Licensing System (ULS). The data will assist in determining future AWS licensee's relocation obligations. The 9th Report and Order established procedures for the relocation of Broadband Radio Service (BRS) operations from the 2150-2160/62 MHz band, as well as for the relocation of Fixed Microwave Service (FS) operations from the 2160-2175 MHz band, and modified existing relocation procedures for the 2110-2150 MHz and 2175-2180 MHz bands. It also established cost-sharing rules to identify the reimbursement obligations for Advanced Wireless Service (AWS) and Mobile Satellite Service (MSS) entrants benefiting from the relocation of incumbent FS operations in the 2110-2150 MHz and 2160-2200 MHz bands and AWS entrants benefiting from the relocation of BRS incumbents in the 2150-2160/62 MHz band. The Commission continues its ongoing efforts to promote spectrum utilization and efficiency with regard to the provision of new services, including AWS. The Order dismisses a petition for reconsideration filed by the Wireless Communications Association International, Inc. (WCA) as moot. Two petitions for Reconsideration were filed in response to the 9th Report and Order.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 303(c); 47 USC 303(f); 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/23/2001	66 FR 7438
NPRM Comment Period End	03/09/2001	
Final Report	04/11/2001	66 FR 18740
FNPRM	09/13/2001	66 FR 47618
MO&O	09/13/2001	66 FR 47591
First R&O	10/25/2001	66 FR 53973
Petition for Recon	11/02/2001	66 FR 55666
Second R&O	01/24/2003	68 FR 3455
Third NPRM	03/13/2003	68 FR 12015
Seventh R&O	12/29/2004	69 FR 7793
Petition for Recon	04/13/2005	70 FR 19469
NPRM	10/26/2005	70 FR 61752

Order	10/26/2005	70 FR 61742
Eighth R&O	10/26/2005	70 FR 61742
Public Notice	12/14/2005	70 FR 74011
Ninth R&O and Order	05/24/2006	71 FR 29818
Petition for Recon	07/19/2006	71 FR 41022

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Title: Children's TV, Obligations of Digital TV Broadcasters (MM Docket No. 00-167)

Abstract: This proceeding seeks comment on a range of issues related to application of our existing children's programming rules to digital broadcasting. The NPRM focused primarily on two areas: the obligation of commercial television broadcast licensees to provide educational and informational programming for children and the requirement that television broadcast licensees limit the amount of advertising in children's programs. The resulting Report and Order addressed the obligation of DTV broadcasters to provide programming to children. Further, the Report and Order amended the Commission's rules regarding on-air identification of children's programming. Regarding commercial time limits, the R&O addressed issues related to the definition of "commercial matter." On March 17, 2006, the Commission adopted a Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking public comment on a joint proposal filed by industry representatives and children's television advocates. The Second Order on Reconsideration and the Second Report clarified rules regarding the obligation to provide children's programming on DTV multicast channels.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.670 and 73.671; 47 CFR 73.673 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 336(d)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/08/2000	65 FR 66951
FNPRM	01/03/2005	70 FR 63
R&O	01/03/2005	70 FR 25
Order Staying Effective Date	02/01/2006	71 FR 5176-02
Second FNPRM	03/27/2006	71 FR 15145
Second Order on Recon & Second R&O	11/01/2006	71 FR 64154

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: No

Small Entities Affected: Business

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Title: Radio Market Definitions (MM Docket No. 03-130)

Abstract: This FNPRM proposes changes to local ownership rules and policies concerning multiple ownership of radio broadcasting stations. The Commission examines the effect our current rules have had on the public and seeks comments to better serve our communities. This action is also intended to consider possible changes to our current local market radio ownership rules and policies in accordance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Because of the similarity of the issues presented in the Multiple Ownership of Radio Broadcast Stations in Local Markets to those in the Matter of Definition of Radio Market, the two actions were, in effect, consolidated. These issues were evaluated as part of the Commission's biennial review of Media Ownership rules. An NPRM was initiated regarding the definition of radio markets in smaller communities.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.3555 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 202(h); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/28/2000	65 FR 82305
FNPRM	12/11/2001	66 FR 63997
NPRM	08/05/2003	68 FR 46359
R&O	08/05/2003	68 FR 46289

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: No

Required: Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Business

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Title: Enhanced and Standardized Disclosure (MM Docket No. 00-168)

Abstract: This proceeding concerns rules and policies on how commercial television broadcast station licensees provide public interest information to the public. The NPRM proposes amendments to the public inspection file rules that would standardize the format used for providing public interest information to the public and make information contained in public inspection files available on the Internet. The intended effect of this action is to propose rules that would make information regarding how television broadcast stations meet their fundamental public interest obligation to serve the needs and interests of

their communities of license easier to understand or more accessible to the public. In the Report and Order, the standardized form is adopted and a requirement is imposed obligating stations to place a portion of its public inspection file on the Internet.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.3526 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 336

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/19/2000	65 FR 62683
R&O	03/13/2008	73 FR 13452

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: No

Required: Undetermined

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Title: 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review--Telecommunications Service Quality Reporting Requirements

Abstract: This NPRM proposes to eliminate our current service quality reports (ARMIS Report 43-05 and 43-06) and replace them with a more consumer-oriented report. The NPRM proposes to reduce the reporting categories from more than 30 to 6, and addresses the needs of carriers, consumers, state public utility commissions, and other interested parties.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 32; 47 CFR 32.11; 47 CFR 32.1220(h); 47 CFR 32.2311(f); 47 CFR 32.2003(b); 47 CFR 32.5280(c); 47 CFR 32.27(c); 47 CFR 64.903(a) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 201(b); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/04/2000	65 FR 75657

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Title: Access Charge Reform and Universal Service Reform

Abstract: On October 11, 2001, the Commission adopted an Order reforming the interstate access charge and universal service support system for rate-of-return incumbent carriers. The Order adopts three principal reforms. First, the Order modifies the interstate access rate structure for small carriers to align it more closely with the manner in which costs are incurred. Second, the Order removes implicit support for universal service from the rate structure and replaces it with explicit, portable support. Third, the Order permits small carriers to continue to set rates based on the authorized rate of return of 11.25 percent. The Order became effective on January 1, 2002, and the support mechanism established by the Order was implemented beginning July 1, 2002. The Commission also adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM) seeking additional comment on proposals for incentive regulation, increased pricing flexibility for rate-of-return carriers, and proposed changes to the Commission's "all-or-nothing" rule. Comments on the FNPRM were due on February 14, 2002, and reply comments on March 18, 2002. On February 12, 2004, the Commission adopted a Second Report and Order resolving several issues on which the Commission sought comment in the FNPRM. First, the Commission modified the "all-or-nothing" rule to permit rate-of-return carriers to bring recently acquired price cap lines back to rate-of-return regulation. Second, the Commission granted rate-of-return carriers the authority immediately to provide geographically deaveraged transport and special access rates, subject to certain limitations. Third, the Commission merged Long Term Support (LTS) with Interstate Common Line Support (ICLS). The Commission also adopted a Second FNPRM seeking comment on two specific plans that propose establishing optional alternative regulation mechanisms for rate-of-return carriers. In conjunction with the consideration of those alternative regulation proposals, the Commission sought comment on modification that would permit a rate-of-return carrier to adopt an alternative regulation plan for some study areas, while retaining rate-of-return regulation for other of its study areas. Comments on the Second FNPRM were due on April 23, 2004, and May 10, 2004.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 36; 47 CFR 54; 47 CFR 61; 47 CFR 69 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 254; 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/25/2001	66 FR 7725
FNPRM	11/30/2001	66 FR 59761
R&O	11/30/2001	66 FR 59719
Second FNPRM	03/23/2004	69 FR 13794
Order	05/06/2004	69 FR 25325

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Transfer of the 3650 Through 3700 MHz Band From Federal Government Use (WT Docket No. 05-96; ET Docket No.

02-380)

Abstract: This proceeding seeks to determine whether the 3650 to 3700 MHz band should be used for unlicensed devices or some or all of the band should be used for unlicensed options. In January 1999, the 3650-3700 MHz band (3650 MHz band) was transferred from Government/non-Government shared use to a mixed-use band. In October 2000, in ET Docket No. 98-237, the FCC allocated the band to fixed and mobile terrestrial services on a co-primary basis, but in order to protect grandfathered Fixed Satellite Service (FSS) earth stations and Federal Government radiolocation operations, limited the mobile allocation to base stations use only. At this same time, the FCC proposed licensing and service rules for fixed and mobile operations in the band. Subsequently, in December 2002, in ET Docket No. 02-380, the FCC sought comment, in part, on the possibility of allowing unlicensed devices to operate in the 3650 MHz band. In April 2004, in ET Docket No. 04-151, the FCC followed-up on this inquiry by releasing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) seeking comment on whether the 3650 MHz band should be used for unlicensed devices or part or all of the band should be used for licensed operations. The NPRM proposes to allow unlicensed devices to operate in all, or part, of the 3650 MHz band at higher power levels than usually permitted for unlicensed services. These devices would be subject to smart (or cognitive) requirements and other safeguards designed to prevent interference to the licensed FSS earth stations now resident in the band. As with other unlicensed devices, these devices would not be permitted to cause interference to licensed services, such as the FSS earth stations, and would have to accept interference. The NPRM also seeks comment on other options for the band, including licensed use of the band by fixed and mobile services, or segmenting the 3650 MHz band to provide for a combination of unlicensed and licensed terrestrial services. The Notice seeks comment on issues related both to allocation changes necessary to set the relative priority between terrestrial and FSS licensed operations, and to licensing rule changes necessary to implement licensed terrestrial service operations.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2.106; 47 CFR 25.202; 47 CFR 27.1; 47 CFR 27.4 and 27.5; 47 CFR 27.14; 47 CFR 27.50; 47 CFR 27.53; 47 CFR 27.55; 47 CFR 27.57 and 27.58; 47 CFR 27.61; 47 CFR 15.205; ... (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 157; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/16/2000	65 FR 14230
First R&O and Second NPRM	11/17/2000	65 FR 69612
Petition for Recon	03/28/2001	66 FR 16940
R&O	02/27/2002	67 FR 17038
Notice of Inquiry	01/21/2003	68 FR 2730
MO&O and Third R&O	05/02/2003	68 FR 38635
NPRM	05/14/2004	69 FR 26790
Final Rule	05/11/2005	70 FR 24712
Final Rule	07/20/2005	70 FR 41631
MO&O	07/25/2007	72 FR 40767

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 04-151; ET Docket No. 02-380; ET Docket No. 98-237

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review--Comprehensive Review of the Accounting Requirements and ARMIS Reporting Requirements for Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers; Phase 2 and Phase 3

Abstract: This NPRM seeks comment on various measures to streamline existing accounting and ARMIS reporting requirements.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 32.1 et seq (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 161; 47 USC 201(b); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 403

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/13/2000	65 FR 67675
NPRM Comment Period End	03/14/2001	
Public Notice	06/26/2001	66 FR 33938
Public Notice Comment Period End	07/26/2001	
FNPRM	02/06/2002	67 FR 5704
R&O	02/06/2002	67 FR 5670
Order on Recon	04/24/2002	67 FR 20052
Petitions for Recon	04/30/2002	67 FR 21236
FNPRM Comment Period End	05/07/2002	
PFR Comment Period End	05/25/2002	
Order	10/30/2002	67 FR 66069
Order	11/06/2002	67 FR 67567
Order	12/18/2002	67 FR 77432
Order	06/30/2003	68 FR 38641
NPRM	12/31/2003	68 FR 75478
Order	12/31/2003	68 FR 75455
NPRM Comment Period End	02/17/2004	
Corrective Amendments	07/27/2004	69 FR 44607
R&O	09/02/2004	69 FR 53645

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Numbering Resource Optimization

Abstract: In 1999, the Commission released the Numbering Resource Optimization Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Notice) in CC Docket 99-200. The Notice examined and sought comment on several administrative and technical measures aimed at improving the efficiency with which telecommunications numbering resources are used and allocated. It incorporated input from the North American Numbering Council (NANC), a Federal advisory committee, which advises the Commission on issues related to number administration. In the Numbering Resource Optimization First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NRO First Report and Order), released on March 31, 2000, the Commission adopted a mandatory utilization data reporting requirement, a uniform set of categories of numbers for which carriers must report their utilization, and a

utilization threshold framework to increase carrier accountability and incentives to use numbers efficiently. In addition, the Commission adopted a single system for allocating numbers in blocks of one thousand, rather than ten thousand, wherever possible, and established a plan for national rollout of thousands-block number pooling. The Commission also adopted numbering resource reclamation requirements to ensure that unused numbers are returned to the North American Numbering Plan (NANP) inventory for assignment to other carriers. Also, to encourage better management of numbering resources, carriers are required, to the extent possible, to first assign numbering resources within thousands blocks (a form of sequential numbering). In the NRO Second Report and Order, the Commission adopted a measure that requires all carriers to use at least 60 percent of their numbering resources before they may get additional numbers in a particular area. That 60 percent utilization threshold increases to 75 percent over the next three years. The Commission also established a five-year term for the national Pooling Administrator and an auditing program to verify carrier compliance with the Commission's rules. Furthermore, the Commission addressed several issues raised in the Notice, concerning area code relief. Specifically, the Commission declined to amend the existing Federal rules for area code relief or specify any new federal guidelines for the implementation of area code relief. The Commission also declined to state a preference for either all-services overlays or geographic splits as a method of area code relief. Regarding mandatory nationwide ten-digit dialing, the Commission declined to adopt this measure at the present time. Furthermore, the Commission declined to mandate nationwide expansion of the "D digit" (the "N" of an NXX or central office code) to include 0 or 1, or to grant state commissions the authority to implement the expansion of the D digit as a numbering resource optimization measure at the present time. In the NRO Third Report and Order, the Commission addressed national thousands-block number pooling administration issues, including declining to alter the implementation date for covered CMRS carriers to participate in pooling. The Commission also addressed Federal cost recovery for national thousands-block number pooling, and continued to require States to establish cost recovery mechanisms for costs incurred by carriers participating in pooling trials. The Commission reaffirmed the Months-to-Exhaust (MTE) requirement for carriers. The Commission declined to lower the utilization threshold established in the Second Report and Order, and declined to exempt pooling carriers from the utilization threshold. The Commission also established a safety valve mechanism to allow carriers that do not meet the utilization threshold in a given rate center to obtain additional numbering resources. In the NRO Third Report and Order, the Commission lifted the ban on technology-specific overlays (TSOs), and delegated authority to the Common Carrier Bureau, in consultation with the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, to resolve any such petitions. Furthermore, the Commission found that carriers who violate our numbering requirements, or fail to cooperate with an auditor conducting either a "for cause" or random audit, should be denied numbering resources in certain instances. The Commission also reaffirmed the 180-day reservation period, declined to impose fees to extend the reservation period, and found that State commissions should be allowed password-protected access to the NANPA database for data pertaining to NPAs located within their State. The measures adopted in the NRO orders will allow the Commission to monitor more closely the way numbering resources are used within the NANP, and will promote more efficient allocation and use of NANP resources by tying a carrier's ability to obtain numbering resources more closely to its actual need for numbers to serve its customers. These measures are designed to create national standards to optimize the use of numbering resources by: (1) Minimizing the negative impact on consumers of premature area code exhausts; (2) ensuring sufficient access to numbering resources for all service providers to enter into or to compete in telecommunications markets; (3) avoiding premature exhaust of the NANP; (4) extending the life of the NANP; (5) imposing the least societal cost possible, and ensuring competitive neutrality, while obtaining the highest benefit; (6) ensuring that no class of carrier or consumer is unduly favored or disfavored by the Commission's optimization efforts; and (7) minimizing the incentives for carriers to build and carry excessively large inventories of numbers. In NRO Third Order on Recon in CC Docket No. 99-200, Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 99-200 and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 95-116, the Commission reconsidered its findings in the NRO Third Report and Order regarding the local Number portability (LNP) and thousands-block number pooling requirements for carriers in the top 100 Metropolitan Statistical areas (MSAs). Specifically, the Commission reversed its clarification that those requirements extend to all carriers in the largest 100 MSAs, regardless of whether they have received a request from another carrier to provide LNP. The Commission also sought comment on whether the Commission should again extend the LNP requirements to all carriers in the largest 100 MSAs, regardless of whether they receive a request to provide LNP. The Commission also sought comment on whether all carriers in the top 100 MSAs should be required to participate in thousands-block number pooling, regardless of whether they are required to be LNP capable. In addition, the Commission sought comment on whether all MSAs included in Combined Metropolitan Statistical Areas (CMSAs) on the Census Bureau's list of the largest 100 MSAs should be included on the Commission's list of the top 100 MSAs. In the NRO Fourth Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission reaffirmed that carriers must deploy LNP in switches within the 100 largest Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) for which another carrier has made a specific request for the provision of LNP. The Commission delegated the authority to state commissions to require carriers operating within the largest 100 MSAs that have not received a specific request for LNP from another carrier to provide LNP, under certain circumstances and on a case-by-case basis. The Commission concluded that all carriers, except those specifically exempted, are required to participate in thousands-block number pooling in accordance with the national rollout schedule, regardless of whether they are required to provide LNP, including commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers that were required to deploy LNP as of November 24, 2003. The Commission specifically exempted from the pooling requirement rural telephone companies and Tier III CMRS providers that have not received a request to provide LNP. The Commission also exempted from the pooling requirement carriers that are the only service provider receiving numbering resources in a given rate center. Additionally, the Commission sought further comment on whether these exemptions should be expanded to include carriers where there are only two service providers receiving numbering resources in the rate

center. Finally, the Commission reaffirmed that the 100 largest MSAs identified in the 1990 U.S. Census reports as well as those areas included on any subsequent U.S. Census report of the 100 largest MSAs. In the NRO Order and Fifth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission granted petitions for delegated authority to implement mandatory thousands-block pooling filed by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, the Nebraska Public Service Commission, the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, the Michigan Public Service Commission, and the Missouri Public Service Commission. In granting these petitions, the Commission permitted these states to optimize numbering resources and further extend the life of the specific numbering plan areas. In the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission sought comment on whether it should delegate authority to all states to implement mandatory thousands-block number pooling consistent with the parameters set forth in the NRO Order.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201 et seq; 47 USC 251(e)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/17/1999	64 FR 32471
R&O and FNPRM	06/16/2000	65 FR 37703
Second R&O and Second FNPRM	02/08/2001	66 FR 9528
Third R&O and Second Order on Recon	02/12/2002	67 FR 643
Third O on Recon & Third FNPRM	04/05/2002	67 FR 16347
Fourth R&O and Fourth NPRM	07/21/2003	68 FR 43003
Order & Fifth FNPRM	03/15/2006	71 FR 13393

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review Spectrum Aggregation Limits for Commercial Mobile Radio Services

Abstract: The Commission has adopted a final rule in a proceeding reexamining the need for Commercial Mobile Radio Services spectrum aggregation limits.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20.6; 47 CFR 22.942 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 161; 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	02/12/2001	66 FR 9798

NPRM Comment Period End	05/14/2001	
Final Rule	01/14/2002	67 FR 1626
Correction to Final Rule	01/31/2002	67 FR 4675

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 01-14

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: In the Matter of Promoting Efficient Use of Spectrum Through Elimination of Barriers to the Development of Secondary Markets

Abstract: The Commission has opened a proceeding to examine actions it may take to remove unnecessary regulatory barriers to the development of more robust secondary markets in radio spectrum usage rights.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 308 to 310

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/26/2000	65 FR 81475
NPRM Comment Period End	01/29/2001	66 FR 8149
New NPRM Comment Period End	02/09/2001	
Final Rule	11/25/2003	68 FR 66252
NPRM	11/25/2003	68 FR 66232
NPRM Comment Period End	01/05/2004	
Final Rule	02/12/2004	69 FR 6920
Final Rule	02/25/2004	69 FR 8569
Final Rule	11/15/2004	69 FR 65544
Proposed Rule	12/27/2004	69 FR 77560
Final Rule	12/27/2004	69 FR 77522
Final Rule	08/01/2007	72 FR 41935

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 00-230

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Reexamination of Roaming Obligations of Commercial Mobile Radio Service Providers

Abstract: This rulemaking considers whether the Commission should adopt an automatic roaming rule for Commercial Mobile Radio Services and sunset the current manual roaming requirement.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20.12; 47 CFR 22.901 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 152(n); 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 201(b); 47 USC 251(a); 47 USC 253; 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 332(c)(1)(B); 47 USC 309

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/21/2000	65 FR 69891
NPRM	09/28/2005	70 FR 56612
NPRM	01/19/2006	71 FR 3029
Final Rule	08/30/2007	72 FR 50064
FNPRM	08/30/2007	72 FR 50085

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 00-193 WT Docket No. 05-265

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Amendment to Licensing Low Power Operations in 450-470 MHz Band

Abstract: The proposed amendments facilitate the viability of low power operations in the private land mobile radio 450-470 MHz Band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
Legal Authority: 47 USC 1; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302 and 303; 47 USC 332
Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/12/2001	66 FR 47435
R&O	04/21/2003	68 FR 19444
Final Rule	09/25/2003	68 FR 55319
Final Rule	10/12/2004	69 FR 60561

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 01-146

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Local; State
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Title: Review of Quiet Zones Application Procedures
Abstract: Review of Quiet Zones rules for possible streamlining while ensuring adequate protection from interference.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
Legal Authority: 47 USC 1; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 161; 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r)
Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/21/2001	66 FR 65866
NPRM Comment Period End	02/06/2002	
R&O	04/06/2004	69 FR 17946
Final Rule	09/23/2004	69 FR 56956
Final Rule	12/06/2004	69 FR 70378

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 01-319

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Government Levels Affected: No
Organizations
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Title: Reallocation and Service Rules for the 698-746 MHz Spectrum Band (Television Channels 52-59)

Abstract: The Commission has adopted allocation and service rules for the 48 MHz of spectrum in the 698-746 MHz band currently occupied by television channels 52-59.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 27; 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 155(c); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 301 to 302(g); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309 to 311; 47 USC 314; 47 USC 316; 47 USC 319; 47 USC 324; 47 USC 331 to 333; 47 USC 336; 47 USC 534 and 535

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/13/2001	66 FR 19106
R&O	02/06/2002	67 FR 5491
MO&O	07/09/2002	67 FR 45380
Final Rule	08/28/2004	69 FR 51706

Additional Information: GN Docket No. 01-74

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Implementation of 911 Act

Abstract: This proceeding is separate from the Commission's proceeding on Enhanced 911 Emergency Systems (E911) in that it is intended to implement provisions of the Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999 through the promotion of public safety by the deployment of a seamless, nationwide emergency communications infrastructure that includes wireless communications services. More specifically, a chief goal of the proceeding is to ensure that all emergency calls are routed to the appropriate local emergency authority to provide assistance. The E911 proceeding goes a step further and is aimed at improving the effectiveness and reliability of wireless 911 dispatchers with additional information on wireless 911 calls.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20.3; 47 CFR 20.18; 47 CFR 64.3000 to 64.3004 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 210; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 251(e); 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 308 to 309(j); 47 USC 310

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Final Rule	01/25/2002	67 FR 3621

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations Government Levels Affected: Local; State

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Policies and Rules for Non-Geostationary Satellite Orbit, Fixed Satellite Service in the KA-Band (IB Docket No. 02-19)

Abstract: The proceeding determined a method to license multiple satellite network systems in spectrum designated on a primary basis for non-geostationary satellite orbit, fixed-satellite service. The proceeding also adopted service rules applicable to these licensees. The International Bureau will now proceed to licensing qualified applicants.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 303(f) and 303(g); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/04/2002	67 FR 9641
NPRM Comment Period End	04/18/2002	
R&O	06/18/2003	68 FR 59128

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Revision of EEO Rules and Policies (MM Docket No. 98-204)

Abstract: FCC authority to govern Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) responsibilities of cable television operators was codified in the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984. This authority was extended to television broadcast licensees and other multi-channel video programming distributors in the Cable and Television Consumer Protection Act of 1992. In the Second Report and Order, the FCC adopted new EEO rules and policies. This action was in response to a decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit that found prior EEO rules unconstitutional. The Third Notice of Proposed Rulemaking requests comment as to the applicability of the EEO rules to part-time employees. The Third Report and Order adopted revised forms for broadcast station and MVPDs Annual Employment Report. In the Fourth NPRM, comment was sought regarding public access to the data contained in the forms.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.2080; 47 CFR 76.73; 47 CFR 76.75; 47 CFR 76.79; 47 CFR 76.1702 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 257; 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307 to 309; 47 USC 334; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 554

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/14/2002	67 FR 1704
Second R&O and Third NPRM	01/07/2003	68 FR 670
Correction	01/13/2003	68 FR 1657
Third R&O	06/23/2004	69 FR 34950
Fourth NPRM	06/23/2004	69 FR 34986

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Broadcast Multiple and Cross-Ownership Limits

Abstract: In 2002, the Commission undertook a comprehensive review of its broadcast multiple and cross-ownership limits examining: cross ownership of TV and radio stations; local TV ownership limits; national TV cap; and dual network rule. The Report and Order replaced the newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership and radio and TV rules with a tiered approach based on the number of television stations in a market. Petitions for Reconsideration are pending. Also, the Third Circuit Court of Appeals remanded portions of the Commission's decisions. In June 2006, the Commission adopted a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking initiating the 2006 review of the broadcast ownership rules. The further notice also sought comment on how to address the issues raised by the Third Circuit. Additional questions are raised for comment in a Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. In the Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration, the Commission adopts rule changes regarding newspaper/broadcast cross-ownership, but otherwise generally retains the other broadcast ownership rules currently in effect.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 152(a); 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309 and 310

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/05/2001	66 FR 50991
R&O	08/05/2003	68 FR 46286
Public Notice	02/19/2004	69 FR 9216
FNPRM	08/09/2006	71 FR 4511
Second FNPRM	08/08/2007	72 FR 44539
R&O and Order on Recon	02/21/2008	73 FR 9481

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: No

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Space Station Licensing Reform (IB Docket No. 02-34)

Abstract: The Commission has adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to streamline its procedures for reviewing satellite license applications. Currently, the Commission uses processing rounds to review those applications. In a processing round, when an application is filed, the International Bureau (Bureau) issues a public notice establishing a cut-off date for other mutually exclusive satellite applications, and then considers all those applications together. In cases where sufficient spectrum to accommodate all the applicants is not available, the Bureau directs the applicants to negotiate a mutually agreeable solution. Those negotiations usually take a long time, and delay provision of satellite services to the public. The NPRM invites comment on two alternatives for expediting the satellite application process. One alternative is to replace the processing round procedure with a "first-come, first-served" procedure that would allow the Bureau to issue a satellite license to the first party filing a complete, acceptable application. The other alternative is to streamline the processing round procedure by adopting one or more of the following proposals: (1) Placing a time limit on negotiations; (2) establishing criteria to select among competing applicants; (3) dividing the available spectrum evenly among the applicants. In the First Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission determined that different procedures were better-suited for different kinds of satellite applications. For most geostationary orbit (GSO) satellite applications, the Commission adopted a first-come, first-served approach. For most non-geostationary orbit (NGSO) satellite applications, the Commission adopted a procedure in which the available spectrum is divided evenly among the qualified applicants. The Commission also adopted measures to discourage applicants from filing speculative applications, including a bond requirement, payable if a licensee misses a milestone. The bond amounts originally were \$5 million for each GSO satellite, and \$7.5 million for each NGSO satellite system. These were interim amounts. Concurrently with the First Report and Order, the Commission adopted an FNPRM to determine whether to revise the bond amounts on a long-term basis. In the Second Report and Order, the Commission adopted a streamlined procedure for certain kinds of satellite license modification requests. In the Third Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission adopted a standardized application form for satellite licenses, and adopted a mandatory electronic filing requirement for certain satellite applications. In the Fourth Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission extended the mandatory electronic filing requirement to all satellite applications. In the Fifth Report and Order in this proceeding, the Commission revised the bond amounts based on the record developed in response to FNPRM. The bond amounts are now \$3 million for each GSO satellite, and \$5 million for each NGSO satellite system.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25.114; 47 CFR 25.137; 47 CFR 25.157 and 25.158 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 303(c); 47 USC 303(g); ...
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/19/2002	67 FR 12498
NPRM Comment Period End	07/02/2002	
Second R&O (Release Date)	06/20/2003	68 FR 62247
Second FNPRM (Release Date)	07/08/2003	68 FR 53702
Third R&O (Release Date)	07/08/2003	68 FR 63994
FNPRM	08/27/2003	68 FR 51546
First R&O	08/27/2003	68 FR 51499
FNPRM Comment Period End	10/27/2003	
Fourth R&O (Release Date)	04/16/2004	69 FR 67790
Fifth R&O, First Order on Recon (Release Date)	07/06/2004	69 FR 51586

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Title: Performance Measurements and Standards for Unbundled Network Elements and Interconnection

Abstract: On November 8, 2001, the Commission opened a rulemaking to consider whether it should adopt a modest group of national performance measurements and standards for evaluating the provision of unbundled network elements by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: Undetermined
 CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 206 to 209; 47 USC 251; 47 USC 253; 47 USC 503 and 504; 47 USC 706
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/30/2001	66 FR 59759

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
 Related RINs: Related to 3060-AH00
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Title: Performance Measurements and Standards for Interstate Special Access Services

Abstract: On November 16, 2001, the Commission opened a rulemaking to consider whether it should adopt national performance measurements, standards, and penalties for the provision of interstate special access services.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 101; 47 USC 152; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 206 to 209; 47 USC 251; 47 USC 272; 47 USC 503

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/10/2001	66 FR 63651

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: Establishment of Rules Governing Procedures To Be Followed When Informal Complaints Are Filed by Consumers Against Entities Regulated by the Commission (CG Docket No. 02-32)

Abstract: This proceeding seeks comment on proposals to establish a unified, streamlined process for the intake and resolution of informal complaints filed by consumers in order to promote maximum compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, (the Act) and our implementing rules and orders. The Commission has previously emphasized that our consumer complaint mechanisms are a principal vehicle for achieving such compliance and promoting the pro-competitive goals underlying the Act and our rules. We are concerned, however, that our existing complaint mechanisms require consumers to navigate an array of rule provisions and disparate procedures administered by various offices within the Commission in order to file complaints about practices they believe violate the Act or our rules and orders. Our goal in this proceeding is to consolidate and streamline the consumer complaint mechanisms consumers use when submitting informal complaints to the Commission. We propose to establish a consumer complaint mechanism patterned after our existing rules for informal complaints filed against common carriers pursuant to section 208 of the Act contained in sections 1.717-1.718 of the Commission's rules. We also invite comment on whether we should make changes to our existing informal common carrier complaint rules.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.716 to 1.718 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations.](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 403
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/16/2002	67 FR 18560

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State; Tribal

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Title: Mitigation of Orbital Debris (IB Docket No. 02-54)

Abstract: The Commission has adopted rules that require all entities seeking FCC authorization for satellite services to address orbital debris mitigation as part of their application for FCC authorization. Orbital debris consists of artificial objects orbiting the Earth that are not functional spacecraft. In addition, the Commission established requirements for the removal of geostationary spacecraft from operational orbits at the end of their useful lives and amended the Commission's rules regarding orbit raising maneuvers, the use of inclined orbits, and orbital longitudinal tolerance station-keeping requirements. The Commission indicated that it will seek further comment on the application of the Commission's longitudinal tolerance station-keeping requirements for Fixed-Satellite space stations to space stations in the Mobile-Satellite Service and remote sensing services.

Priority: Routine and Frequent Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 5; 47 CFR 25; 47 CFR 97 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations.](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 303(c); 47 USC 303(f) and 303(g); 47 USC 303(r)
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/03/2002	67 FR 22376
NPRM Comment Period End	08/16/2002	
First R&O	08/27/2003	68 FR 59127
Second R&O	09/09/2004	69 FR 54581

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Title: Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) of 1991 (CG Docket No. 02-278)

Abstract: The Commission released an NPRM on September 18, 2002, seeking comment on the rules implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 (TCPA). The NPRM sought comment on whether the Commission should revise its existing rules, or adopt additional rules, on the use of autodialers, prerecorded messages, and unsolicited facsimile advertisements. The NPRM also sought comment on the effectiveness of the company-specific do-not-call lists and whether to revisit the option of establishing a national do-not-call list. On July 3, 2003, the Commission released a Report and Order establishing, along with the FTC, a national do-not-call registry. The Commission's Report and Order also adopted rules on the use of predictive dialers, the transmission of caller ID information by telemarketers, and the sending of unsolicited fax advertisements. On September 21, 2004, the Commission released an Order adopting a limited safe harbor period from the prohibition on placing automatic telephone dialing systems or prerecorded message calls to wireless numbers when such calls are made to numbers that have been recently ported from wireline service to wireless service. In addition, the Commission amended its existing safe harbor rules for telemarketers subject to the do-not-call registry to require such telemarketers to access the do-not-call list every 31 days, rather than every three months. On December 9, 2005 the Commission released an NPRM proposing to amend the fax advertising rules to implement the Junk Fax Protection Act of 2005. On April 5, 2006, the Commission adopted a Report and Order and Third Order on Reconsideration amending its facsimile advertising rules. On January 4, 2008, the Commission released a Declaratory Ruling to address the ACA International petition, clarifying that autodialed and prerecorded message calls to wireless numbers that are provided by the called party to a creditor in connection with an existing debt are permissible as calls made with the "prior express consent" of the called party. Following a December 4, 2007 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, on June 17, 2008, the Commission releases a Report and Order amending its rules to require sellers and/or telemarketers to honor registrations with the National Do-Not-Call Registry indefinitely, unless the registration is cancelled by the consumer or the number is removed by the database administrator.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.1200; 47 CFR 64.1601(e); 47 CFR 68.318(c) and 68.318(d) (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 227

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/08/2002	67 FR 62667
NPRM Comment Period Extended	11/29/2002	67 FR 71126
Reply Comment Period Extended	12/26/2002	67 FR 78763
Comment Period End	01/31/2003	
FNPRM	04/03/2003	68 FR 16250
Order	07/25/2003	68 FR 44144
Order on Recon	08/25/2003	68 FR 50978
Order Effective	08/25/2003	
Order	10/14/2003	68 FR 59130
FNPRM	03/31/2004	69 FR 16873
Order	10/08/2004	69 FR 60311

Order	10/28/2004	69 FR 62816
Order on Recon	04/13/2005	70 FR 19330
Order	06/30/2005	70 FR 37705
NPRM	12/19/2005	70 FR 75102
Notice	04/26/2006	71 FR 24634
Order	05/03/2006	71 FR 25967
NPRM	12/14/2007	72 FR 71099
Order	02/01/2008	73 FR 6041

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Organizations Government Levels Affected: No

Energy Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Rules and Regulations Implementing Section 225 of the Communications Act (Telecommunications Relay Service) (CG Docket No. 03-123)

Abstract: This proceeding established a new docket flowing from the previous telecommunications relay service (TRS) history, CC Docket No. 98-67. This proceeding continues the Commission's inquiry into improving the quality of TRS and furthering the goal of functional equivalency consistent with the Congress' mandate that TRS regulations encourage the use of existing technology and not discourage or impair the development of new technology. In this docket, the Commission explores ways to improve emergency preparedness for TRS facilities and services, new TRS technologies, public access to information and outreach, and issues related to payments from the Interstate TRS Fund.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.601to 64.606 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 225; 47 USC 255; 47 USC 610

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/25/2003	68 FR 50993
NPRM Comment Period End	10/09/2003	
Public Notice	07/26/2004	69 FR 44534
Comment Period End	08/30/2004	
FNPRM	09/01/2004	69 FR 53382
R&O, Order on Recon	09/01/2004	69 FR 53346
Public Notice	11/12/2004	69 FR 65401
FNPRM Comment Period End	11/15/2004	
Comment Period End	11/30/2004	
Comment Period End	12/30/2004	
Comment Period End	01/19/2005	
Public Notice	01/11/2005	70 FR 2360
Public Notice	02/17/2005	70 FR 8034
Declaratory Ruling/Interpretation	02/25/2005	70 FR 9239
Comment Period End	03/04/2005	

Public Notice	03/07/2005	70 FR 10930
Public Notice	03/16/2005	70 FR 12884
Order	03/23/2005	70 FR 14568
Public Notice/Announcement of Date	04/06/2005	70 FR 17334
Comment Period End	05/02/2005	
Public Notice	05/11/2005	70 FR 24790
Comment Period End	05/25/2005	
Deadline	07/01/2005	
Order	07/01/2005	70 FR 38134
Public Notice	07/13/2005	70 FR 38134
R&O	08/31/2005	70 FR 51649
Order on Recon	08/31/2005	70 FR 51643
Public Notice	09/07/2005	70 FR 53191
Notice	09/14/2005	70 FR 54381
Order on Clarification	09/14/2005	70 FR 54298
Order on Clarification	09/14/2005	70 FR 54294
Comment Period End	10/07/2005	
Public Notice	10/12/2005	70 FR 59346
Public Notice	11/30/2005	70 FR 71849
Order	12/29/2005	70 FR 77052
Order	12/28/2005	70 FR 76712
R&O/Order on Recon	12/23/2005	70 FR 76208
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Comment Period End	01/17/2006	
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Notice	01/11/2006	71 FR 1753
Notice	02/01/2006	71 FR 5221
NPRM	02/01/2006	71 FR 5221
Comment Period End	02/10/2006	
Comment Period End	03/08/2006	
Notice/Announcement of Effective Date	03/15/2006	71 FR 13281
Notice	03/24/2006	71 FR 14893
Public Notice	05/10/2006	71 FR 27252
Notice	05/24/2006	71 FR 29961
FNPRM	05/31/2006	71 FR 30848
Declaratory Ruling/Clarification	05/31/2006	71 FR 30818
Public Notice	06/28/2006	71 FR 36796
Public Notice	06/28/2006	71 FR 36795
Public Notice	06/28/2006	71 FR 36794
Clarification	06/28/2006	71 FR 36690
Declaratory Ruling/Dismissal of Petition	06/21/2006	71 FR 35553
Declaratory Ruling on Recon	07/06/2006	71 FR 38268
Comment Period End	07/17/2006	
Comment Period End	07/17/2006	
Public Notice	08/02/2006	71 FR 43768
MO&O	08/16/2006	71 FR 47145
Order on Recon	08/16/2006	71 FR 47141
Clarification	08/23/2006	71 FR 49380
FNPRM	09/13/2006	71 FR 54009
Correction	09/27/2006	71 FR 56442
FNPRM Comment Period End	10/30/2006	
PRA Comment Period End	11/13/2006	
FNPRM Comment Period End	11/13/2006	
Notice	02/14/2007	72 FR 7031
Final Rule; Clarification	02/14/2007	72 FR 6960
Public Notice	03/07/2007	72 FR 10214
Notice	03/01/2007	72 FR 9332
Public Notice	03/01/2007	72 FR 9333
Order	03/14/2007	72 FR 11789
Public Notice	04/12/2007	72 FR 18478
Notice	04/18/2007	72 FR 19501

Notice Comment Period End	04/16/2007	
Notice	05/02/2007	72 FR 24305
Public Notice	05/16/2007	72 FR 27569
Public Notice	05/16/2007	72 FR 27570
Notice	06/06/2007	72 FR 31327
Notice	06/13/2007	72 FR 32661
Public Notice	07/18/2007	72 FR 39423
Notice	08/06/2007	72 FR 43638
R&O	08/06/2007	72 FR 43546
Public Notice	08/16/2007	72 FR 46060
Public Notice	11/01/2007	72 FR 61882
Order	11/01/2007	72 FR 61813
Notice	12/11/2007	72 FR 70324
Public Notice	01/04/2008	73 FR 863
Notice	01/17/2008	73 FR 3253
R&O/Declaratory Ruling	01/17/2008	73 FR 3197
Public Notice	02/19/2008	73 FR 9118
Order	02/19/2008	73 FR 9031
Public Notice	03/27/2008	73 FR 16304
Public Notice	04/07/2008	73 FR 18796
Order	04/23/2008	73 FR 21843
Order	04/21/2008	73 FR 21347
R&O	04/21/2008	73 FR 21252
Public Notice	04/30/2008	73 FR 23361
Order	05/15/2008	73 FR 28057
Public Notice	05/23/2008	73 FR 26992
Comment Period End	05/22/2008	
Notice	06/16/2008	73 FR 34015
Declaratory Ruling	07/08/2008	73 FR 38928
Notice	07/18/2008	73 FR 41351
FNPRM	07/18/2008	73 FR 41307
R&O	07/18/2008	73 FR 41286
PRA Comment Period End	07/16/2008	
Notice/Announcement of Effective Date	07/30/2008	73 FR 4417
Public Notice	08/01/2008	73 FR 45006
Public Notice	08/22/2008	73 FR 49670
Public Notice	08/22/2008	73 FR 49670
Comment Period End	08/25/2008	
PRA Comment Period End	09/16/2008	
PRA Comment Period End	09/16/2008	
Comment Period End	09/29/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: **Business;** Government Levels Affected: **State**
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Title: Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposed amendments to the FCC rules relating to compliance of transmitters and facilities with guidelines for human exposure to radio frequency (RF) energy.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1 and 2; 47 CFR 95 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 302 and 303; 47 USC 309(j); 47 USC 336
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/08/2003	68 FR 52879
NPRM Comment Period End	12/08/2003	

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 03-137

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Government Levels Affected: Federal; State
 Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations
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Title: Rules and Regulations Implementing the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003 (CG Docket No. 04-53)

Abstract: The Commission has adopted rules to protect consumers from unwanted electronic mobile service messages to implement the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.3100 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 15 USC 7706; 15 USC 7712; PL 108-187
 Legal Deadline:

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Required to promulgate rules.	09/26/2004

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/31/2004	69 FR 16873
NPRM Comment Period End	05/17/2004	
Order	09/16/2004	69 FR 55765
Order Cross Referencing Federal Trade Commission Definitions	03/25/2005	70 FR 34665

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Government Levels Affected: No
 Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations
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Title: Coordination Between the Non-Geostationary and Geostationary Satellite Orbit

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposes to modify the frequency coordination rules to promote sharing between non-geostationary satellite orbit (NGSO) and geostationary satellite orbit (GSO) fixed satellite service (FSS) operations and various terrestrial services operating in several frequency bands. We undertake this proceeding to facilitate the introduction of new satellite and terrestrial services while promoting interference protection among the various users in the band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25; 47 CFR 74; 47 CFR 78 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 303(c)(f)(g)(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	02/02/2004	69 FR 4908

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 03-254

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal; State

Small Entities Affected: No

Federalism: Undetermined

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Commission Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications

Abstract: The Report and Order extended the Commission's disruption reporting requirements to communications providers who are not wireline carriers. The Commission also streamlined compliance with the reporting requirements through electronic filing with a "fill in the blank" template and by simplifying the application of that rule. In addition, the Commission delegates authority to the Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology, to make the revisions to the filing system and template necessary to improve the efficiency of reporting and to reduce, where reasonably possible, the time for providers to prepare, and for the

Commission staff to review, the communications disruption reports required to be filed. Such authority was subsequently delegated to the Chief of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. These actions will allow the Commission to obtain the necessary information regarding service disruptions in an efficient and expeditious manner and to achieve significant concomitant public interest benefits. The Commission received nine petitions for reconsideration in this proceeding, which are pending. The further notice of proposed rulemaking expands the record in the proceeding to focus specifically on the unique communications needs of airports, including wireless and satellite communications. In this regard, the Commission requested comment on the additional types of airport communications (e.g., wireless, satellite) that should be required to file service disruption reports--particularly from a homeland security and defense perspective. These types of airport communications may include, for example, communications that are provided by ARINC as well as commercial communications (e.g., air-to-ground and ground-to-air telephone communications) as well as intra-airline commercial links. The Commission also requested comment on whether the outage-reporting requirements for special facilities should be extended to cover general aviation airports (GA) and, if so, what the applicable threshold criteria should be.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 0; 47 CFR 4; 47 CFR 63 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/26/2004	69 FR 15761
FNPRM	11/26/2004	69 FR 68859
R&O	12/03/2004	69 FR 70316
Announcement of Effective Date and Partial Stay	12/30/2004	69 FR 78338
Petition for Recon	02/15/2005	70 FR 7737
Amendment of Delegated Authority	02/21/2008	73 FR 9462

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 04-35

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Broadband Over Power Line Systems

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposes to amend part 15 of the Commission's rules to adopt new requirements and measurement guidelines for a new type of carrier current system that provides access to broadband services using electric utility company power lines. The Report and Order adopted new requirements and measurement guidelines for a new type of carrier current system that provides access to broadband services using electric utility companies' power lines. This new technology offers the potential for the establishment of a significant new medium for extending broadband access to American homes and businesses. Given that power lines reach virtually every residence and business in every community and geographic area in this country, Access BPL service could be made available nearly everywhere. This new broadband delivery medium could also serve to introduce additional competition to existing cable, DSL, and other broadband services. We believe these actions will promote the development of BPL systems by removing regulatory uncertainties for BPL operators and equipment manufacturers while ensuring that licensed radio services are protected from harmful interference. The Office of Engineering and Technology announced that the United Telecom Council (UTC) will serve as the Access Broadband over Power

Line (Access BPL) database manager. The Memorandum Opinion and Order, amended part 15 of the Commission's rules regarding the unlicensed operation of Access broadband over power line (BPL) systems. Specifically, the rules were amended to change the exclusion zone requirement for the ten listed radio astronomy facilities to a consultation requirement, and to add a new exclusion zone for one Very Large Array (VLA) radio astronomy observatory site at 73.0-74.6 MHz. The Commission also amended the rules to add prospective protection for relocated aeronautical facilities and to correct the coordinates and email contact for the aeronautical facilities subject to BPL consultation. The Commission affirmed the July 7, 2006 deadline for requiring certification for any equipment manufactured, imported or installed on BPL systems, with the proviso that uncertified equipment already in inventory can be used for replacing defective units or to supplement equipment on existing systems for one year within areas already in operation. The Commission believes these changes furthers the development and growth of BPL devices. The Commission denied the petitions for reconsideration in all other respects.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/17/2004	69 FR 12612
R&O	01/07/2005	70 FR 1360
Petition for Recon	03/08/2005	70 FR 11244
Public Notice	11/19/2005	70 FR 60840
MO&O	08/23/2006	71 FR 49376

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 04-37

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Federal; State

Small Entities Affected: No

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Title: Year 2000 Biennial Review (WT Docket No. 01-108)

Abstract: The year 2000 part 22 Biennial Review Report and Order and subsequent Order on Reconsideration examined whether certain rules should be modified or eliminated as a result of technological changes or increased competition.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: None (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		

Final Rule	04/01/2004	69 FR 17063
Final Rule Effective	06/01/2004	
Final Rule	09/15/2004	69 FR 55516

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: **Business;** Government Levels Affected: **No**
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Title: Air-Ground Telecommunications Services

Abstract: Re-examination of rules governing air-ground telecommunications services on commercial airplanes.
Revision/elimination of 47 CFR 22 non-cellular provisions.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 90; ... (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 151(i); 47 USC 161; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/25/2003	68 FR 44003
NPRM Comment Period End	10/23/2003	
NPRM	04/13/2005	70 FR 19377
Final Rule	04/13/2005	70 FR 19293
Final Rule Correction	04/27/2005	70 FR 21663
Final Rule	12/27/2005	70 FR 76411

Additional Information: WT Docket Nos. 03-103, 05-42

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: **Business;**
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Local; State

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Title: Amendments of Various Rules Affecting Wireless Radio Services (WT Docket No. 03-264)

Abstract: This rulemaking proposes to streamline and harmonize wireless radio service rules.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 161; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	02/23/2004	69 FR 8132
NPRM Comment Period End	05/24/2004	
NPRM	10/19/2005	70 FR 60770
Final Rule	10/20/2005	70 FR 61049
Proposed Rule	05/02/2007	72 FR 24238
Final Rule	05/16/2007	72 FR 27688
Final Rule	08/24/2007	72 FR 48814
Final Rule	05/02/2008	73 FR 24180

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

Energy Affected: No

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Title: Facilitating the Provision of Spectrum-Based Services to Rural Areas

Abstract: This rulemaking will facilitate the provision of spectrum-based services to rural areas.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/12/2003	68 FR 64050
NPRM Comment Period End	01/26/2004	
Final Rule	12/15/2004	69 FR 75144
NPRM	12/15/2004	69 FR 75174
Final Rule	04/27/2005	70 FR 21652

Additional Information: WT Docket 02-381

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Government Levels Affected: No
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Title: Extending Wireless Telecommunications Services to Tribal Lands

Abstract: This action amends rules to encourage carriers to provide telecommunications services to tribal lands.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.2110 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 309(j); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Final Rule	05/02/2003	68 FR 23417
Final Rule Effective	07/01/2003	
Final Rule	10/18/2004	69 FR 61317

Additional Information: WT Docket No. 99-266

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: Tribal

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Title: Amendment of Commission Rules Concerning Airport Terminal Use Frequencies 450-470 MHz Band of the Private Land Mobile Radio Services (WT Docket No. 02-318)

Abstract: The Commission seeks comment on revisions to the use of Airport Terminal Use (ATU) frequencies in the 45-470 Private Land Mobile Radio Industrial Business Pool.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90.35 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 332(c)(7)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/21/2002	67 FR 70196
NPRM Comment Period End	01/06/2003	
Final Rule	03/24/2005	70 FR 15005

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band Industrial/Land Transportation and Business Channels

Abstract: The Commission seeks to improve public safety communications in the 800 MHz band and consolidate the 800 MHz Industrial/Land Transportation and Business Pool channels.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(f); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/05/2002	67 FR 16351
Final Rule	08/19/2002	67 FR 53754
Proposed Rule	02/10/2003	68 FR 6687
Final Rule	11/22/2004	69 FR 67853
Final Rule	11/22/2004	69 FR 67823
Final Rule	02/08/2005	70 FR 6761
Final Rule	02/08/2005	70 FR 6750
Final Rule	04/06/2005	70 FR 17327
Notice	06/15/2005	70 FR 34764
Final Rule	09/28/2005	70 FR 56583
Notice	10/26/2005	70 FR 61823
Final Rule	12/28/2005	70 FR 76704
Proposed Rule	09/21/2006	71 FR 55149
Clarification	06/20/2007	72 FR 33914
Final Rule	07/20/2007	72 FR 39756

Additional Information: WT 02-55

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Local; State; Tribal

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Title: Review of Part 87 of the Commission's Rules Concerning Aviation (WT Docket No. 01-289)

Abstract: This proceeding is intended to streamline, consolidate and revise our part 87 rules governing the Aviation Radio Service. The rule changes are designed to ensure these rules reflect current technological advances.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 87.27 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 307(e)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/16/2001	66 FR 64785
R&O and FNPRM	10/16/2003	
FNPRM	04/12/2004	69 FR 19140
R&O	06/14/2004	69 FR 32577
Final Rule	12/06/2006	71 FR 70671
NPRM	12/06/2006	71 FR 70710

Additional Information: WT-01-289

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Digital Broadcast Content Protection (MB Docket No. 02-230)

Abstract: This rulemaking examines the use of a content protection mechanism for digital broadcast television. The Report and Order adopted an anti-piracy mechanism known as the "broadcast flag." Products capable of receiving DTV over-the-air signals must comply with the broadcast flag requirements by July 1, 2005. The further notice of proposed rulemaking seeks comment on the process for approving digital recording and output content protection technologies.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 601

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/20/2002	67 FR 53903
FNPRM	12/03/2003	68 FR 67624
R&O	12/03/2003	68 FR 67599
Final Rule	01/20/2004	69 FR 2688

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Establishment of Rules for Digital Low Power Television, Television Translator, and Television Booster Stations (MB Docket No. 03-185)

Abstract: This proceeding initiates the digital television conversion for low power television (LPTV) and television translator stations. The rules and policies adopted as a result of this proceeding provide the framework for these stations' conversion from analog to digital broadcasting. The Report and Order adopts definitions and permissible use provisions for digital TV translator and LPTV stations. Petitions for reconsideration of the Report and Order are pending resolution.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 309; 47 USC 336

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/26/2003	68 FR 55566
R&O	11/29/2004	69 FR 69325

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: In the Matter of Procedures To Govern the Use of Satellite Earth Stations On Board Vessels (IB Docket No. 02-10)

Abstract: The ESV R&O established licensing and service rules for ESVs operating in the 5925-6425 MHz/3700-4200 MHz Bands (C-band) and 14.0-14.5 GHz/11.7-12.2 GHz Bands (Ku-band). The ESV R&O is significant because it furthers two major goals of the Commission: (1) To facilitate the market-driven deployment of broadband technologies and (2) to maximize the use of available spectrum to advance new technologies while minimizing interference to existing satellite services, such as Fixed Services (FS) and Fixed Satellite Services (FSS).

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) to 154(j); 47 USC 157(a); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/22/2004	69 FR 3056
R&O	02/11/2005	70 FR 47076
Petitions for Recon	03/28/2005	70 FR 17458
Comment Period End	05/04/2005	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules (IB Docket No. 04-47)

Abstract: FCC amended several rules. Specifically, FCC: (1) Amended the procedures for discontinuing an international service; (2) allowed U.S. carriers to resell the U.S.-inbound service of foreign carriers; and (3) amended the submarine cable landing licensing procedures compliance with the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. The North American Submarine Cable Association filed a petition for reconsideration regarding the amendment to the submarine cable licensing procedures.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.767; 47 CFR 63.18 and 63.19; 47 CFR 63.21; ... (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 34 to 39; 47 USC 151; 47 USC 161; 47 USC 201 to 205; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/22/2004	69 FR 13276

NPRM Comment Period End	06/07/2004	
R&O	09/25/2007	72 FR 54363
Petition for Recon	01/02/2008	73 FR 187

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Reporting Requirements for U.S. Providers of International Telecommunications Services (IB Docket No. 04-112)
 Abstract: FCC is reviewing the reporting requirements to which carriers providing U.S. international services are subject under 47 CFR part 43. FCC proposes to amend 47 CFR 43.61 and 47 CFR 43.82 and to repeal 47 CFR 43.53.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.789; 47 CFR 43.53; 47 CFR 43.61; 47 CFR 43.82; ... (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 161; 47 USC 201 to 205; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/12/2004	
NPRM Comment Period End	08/23/2004	69 FR 29676

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Review of the Spectrum Sharing Plan Among Non-Geostationary Satellite Orbit Mobile Satellite Service Systems in the 1.6/2.4 GHz Bands (IB Docket No. 02-364)

Abstract: This docket involves the spectrum sharing plan for the low earth orbit satellite systems in the 1.6 GHz and 2.4 GHz bands (Big LEOs). In November 2007, the Commission resolved the 1.6 GHz spectrum sharing plan between Globalstar Inc. and Iridium Satellite LLC, whereby Globalstar will have exclusive MSS use of 7.775 megahertz of spectrum at 1610-1617.775

MHz, Iridium will have exclusive MSS use of 7.775 megahertz of spectrum at 1618.725-1626.5 MHz, and the two Big LEO operators will share 0.95 megahertz of spectrum at 1617.775-1618.725 MHz. Separately, in April 2006, the Commission affirmed the spectrum sharing plan between Globalstar and the fixed and mobile (except aeronautical mobile) services in the 2495-2500 MHz band in order to accommodate the relocation of Broadband Radio Service Channel 1 to the 2496-2502 MHz band. (Iridium does not operate in the 2.4 GHz band.)

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2.106; 47 CFR 25.149 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302(a); 47 USC 303(e); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/29/2003	68 FR 33666
FNPRM	08/09/2004	69 FR 48192
R&O	08/09/2004	69 FR 48157
Petitions for Recon	10/12/2004	69 FR 60626
First Order on Recon	06/19/2006	71 FR 35178
Petitions for Further Recon	07/27/2006	71 FR 44029
Second Order on Recon and Second R&O	12/13/2007	72 FR 70807

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: National Exchange Carrier Association Petition

Abstract: In a notice of proposed rulemaking released on July 19, 2004, the Commission initiated a rulemaking proceeding to examine the proper number of end user common line charges (commonly referred to as subscriber line charges or SLCs) that carriers may assess upon customers that obtain derived channel T-1 service where the customer provides the terminating channelization equipment and upon customers that obtain Primary Rate Interface (PRI) Integrated Service Digital Network (ISDN) service.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 69.104; 47 CFR 69.130; 47 CFR 69.152; 47 CFR 69.157 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 201 and 202; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/13/2004	69 FR 50141
NPRM Comment Period End	11/12/2004	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
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Title: IP-Enabled Services

Abstract: The notice seeks comment on ways in which the Commission might categorize IP-enabled services for purposes of evaluating the need for applying any particular regulatory requirements. It poses questions regarding the proper allocation of jurisdiction over each category of IP-enabled service. The notice then requests comment on whether the services comprising each category constitute "telecommunications services" or "information services" under the definitions set forth in the Act. Finally, noting the Commission's statutory forbearance authority and title I ancillary jurisdiction, the notice describes a number of central regulatory requirements (including, for example, those relating to access charges, universal service, E911, and disability accessibility), and asks which, if any, should apply to each category of IP-enabled services. On June 16, 2005, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that public information collections set forth in the First Report and Order were being submitted for review to the office of management and budget. On July 27, 2005, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that the information collection requirements adopted in the First Report and Order were approved in OMB No. 3060-1085 and would become effective on July 29, 2005. On August 31, 2005, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice of the comment cycle for three Petitions for Reconsideration and/or Clarification of the First Report and Order. On July 10, 2006, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it had adopted on June 21, 2006, rules that make interim modifications to the existing approach for assessing contributions to the Federal universal service fund (USF or Fund) in order to provide stability while the Commission continues to examine more fundamental reform. On June 8, 2007, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it had adopted on April 2, 2007, an item strengthening the Commission's rules to protect the privacy of customer proprietary network information (CPNI) that is collected and held by providers of communications services, and a further notice of proposed rulemaking seeking comment on what steps the Commission should take, if any, to secure further the privacy of customer information. On August 6, 2007, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it had adopted on May 31, 2007, and item extending the disability access requirements that currently apply to telecommunications service providers and equipment manufacturers under section 255 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to providers of "interconnected voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services," as defined by the Commission, and to manufacturers of specially designed equipment used to provide those services. In addition, the Commission extended the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) requirements contained in its regulations to interconnected VoIP providers. On August 7, 2007, the Commission published in the Federal Register a notice that a petition for reconsideration of the CPNI order described above had been filed. On August 16, 2007, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it had adopted on August 2, 2007, an item amending the Commission's Schedule of Regulatory Fees by, inter alia, incorporating regulatory fee payment obligations for interconnected VoIP service providers, which shall become effective November 15, 2007, which is 90 days from date of notification to Congress. On November 1, 2007, the Commission gave notice that it granted in part, denied in part, and sought comment on petitions filed by the Voice on the Net Coalition, the United States Telecom Association, and Hamilton Telephone Company seeking a stay or waiver of certain aspects of the Commission's VoIP Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Order (72 FR 61813; 72 FR 61882). On December 13, 2007, the Commission announced the effective date of its revised CPNI rules (72 FR 70808). On December 6, 2007, OMB approved the public information collection pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 for the Commission's CPNI rules (72 FR 72358). On February 21, 2008, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that the Commission adopted rules extending local number portability obligations and numbering administration support obligations to interconnected VoIP services. The Commission also explained it had responded to the District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals stay of the Commission's Intermodal Number Portability Order by publishing a Final Regulatory Flexibility Act (73 FR 9463; R&O 02/21/2008). On February 21, 2008, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it sought comment on other changes to its LNP and numbering related rules, including whether to extend such rules to interconnected VoIP providers (73 FR 9507). On August 6, 2007, the Commission published in the Federal Register notice that it had extended Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) regulations to interconnected VoIP providers and extended certain disability access requirements to interconnected VoIP providers and to manufacturers of specially designed equipment used to provide such

service (72 FR 43546). On May 15, 2008, the Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau published in the Federal Register notice that it had granted interconnected VoIP providers an extension of time to route 711-dialed calls to an appropriate telecommunications relay service (TRS) center in certain circumstances (73 FR 28057).

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Yes

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/29/2004	69 FR 16193
NPRM Comment Period End	07/14/2004	
First R&O	06/03/2005	70 FR 37273
Public Notice	06/16/2005	70 FR 37403
First R&O Effective	07/29/2005	70 FR 43323
Public Notice	08/31/2005	70 FR 51815
R&O	07/10/2006	71 FR 38781
R&O and FNPRM	06/08/2007	72 FR 31948
FNPRM Comment Period End	07/09/2007	72 FR 31782
Public Notice	08/07/2007	72 FR 44136
R&O	08/06/2007	72 FR 43546
R&O	08/16/2007	72 FR 45908
Public Notice	11/01/2007	72 FR 61882
Public Notice	11/01/2007	72 FR 61813
Public Notice	12/13/2007	72 FR 70808
Public Notice	12/20/2007	72 FR 72358
NPRM	02/21/2008	73 FR 9507
R&O	02/21/2008	73 FR 9463
Order	05/15/2008	73 FR 28057
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State; Tribal

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Title: In the Matter of Review of the Emergency Alert System

Abstract: In the First Report and Order in EB Docket No. 04-296 the Commission adopted rules that expanded the reach of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) to cover digital communications services that Americans increasingly use to receive news and entertainment, namely, digital television and radio, digital cable, and satellite television and radio. In the Second Report and Order in EB Docket No. 04-296 the Commission took various steps to increase the reliability, security, and efficacy of the nation's EAS network, including: (1) Requiring EAS Participants to accept a message using Common Alerting Protocol v1.1 (CAP) no later than 180 days after FEMA publicly publishes its adoption of such standard; (2) requiring EAS Participants to adopt Next Generation EAS delivery systems no later than 180 days after FEMA publicly releases standards for those systems; (3) preserving the current EAS network but enhanced its effectiveness, scope, and redundancy by enabling EAS delivery

system upgrades and by including Wireline Video Providers in EAS; (4) requiring EAS Participants to transmit State and local EAS alerts originated by governors or their designees no later than 180 days after FEMA publishes its adoption of the CAP standard, provided that the State has a Commission-approved EAS State plan that provides for delivery of such alerts; and (5) concurrently adopting a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to explore certain EAS-related issues, including provision of EAS alerts to disabled Americans and to Americans who do not speak English.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 11 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 154(o); 47 USC 303(r); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/30/2004	69 FR 52843
FNPRM	11/25/2005	70 FR 71072
First R&O	11/25/2005	70 FR 71023
FNPRM	11/02/2007	72 FR 62123
Second R&O	11/02/2007	72 FR 62123
FNPRM Comment Period End	12/17/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Unlicensed Operation of the 3650-3700 Band (ET Docket No. 04-151)

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposed to maximize the efficient use of the 3650-3700 MHz band. The proposal would allow unlicensed devices to operate in either all, or portions of, this radiofrequency (RF) band under flexible technical limitations with smart/cognitive features that should prevent interference to licensed satellite services. The proposal fostered the introduction of new and advanced services to the American public, especially in rural areas. The Report and Order adopted rules that provide for nationwide, non-exclusive, licensing of terrestrial operations, utilizing technology with a contention-base protocol, in the 3650-3700 MHz band. The Commission also adopted a streamlined licensing mechanism with minimal regulatory entry requirements that will encourage multiple entrants and stimulate the rapid expansion of wireless broadband services--especially in rural American and will also serve as a safeguard to protect incumbent satellite earth stations from harmful interference. In the Memorandum Opinion and Order, the Commission addressed several petitions for reconsideration and an emergency motion for stay that were filed in response 3650 MHz Allocation Order in ET Docket No. 98-237. In light of its full review of the refreshed record in this proceeding, and in light of the decisions made in the companion Report and Order, the Commission denied the aspects of the petitions that challenge and seek to reverse the allocation decisions made in the 3650 MHz Allocation Order. The Commission denied the motion for stay. When the Commission established the November 30, 2000, filing deadline, it did so because it found that additional new FSS facilities permitted by the Freeze Memorandum Opinion and Order could affect the use of the 3650-3700 MHz band by the terrestrial services. By deciding in this Order to maintain the FSS allocation changes made in the 3650 MHz Allocation Order, the Commission, reaffirmed its conclusion that allowing additional primary FSS earth stations in the 3650 MHz band could negatively affect the prospects for viable FS/MS terrestrial operations. The Memorandum Opinion and Order addressed petitions for reconsideration filed in response to the Commission's Report and Order relating to the 3650-3700 MHz band (3650 MHz band) proceeding. The Commission affirmed its previous

decisions to create a spectrum environment that will encourage multiple entrants and stimulate the expansion of broadband service to rural and under served areas. To facilitate rapid deployment in the band, the Commission maintains the previously adopted, non-exclusive licensing scheme. The clarification and modification will facilitate operation of the widest variety of broadband technologies with minimal risk of interference in both the near and long terms. They should further reduce the potential for co-channel interference, provide additional protections to the multiple users in the band under the current licensing regime, and create incentives for the rapid development of broadly compatible contention technologies.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	05/14/2004	69 FR 26790
R&O & MO&O	05/11/2005	70 FR 24712
MO&O	07/25/2007	72 FR 40767

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 04-151

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: Federal; State

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Title: Unlicensed Operation in the TV Broadcast Bands (ET Docket No. 04-186)

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposes to amend the Commission's rules to allow unlicensed radio transmitters to operate in the broadcast television spectrum at locations where that spectrum is not being used. We believe that the proposals set forth will provide for more efficient and effective use of the TV spectrum and will have significant benefits for the public by allowing the development of new and innovative types of unlicensed broadband devices and services for businesses and consumers. In the First Report and Order, the Commission took a number of steps towards allowing the introduction of new low power devices in the broadcast television spectrum (TV bands) on channels/frequencies that are not being used for authorized services (hereinafter referred to as "TV band devices"). The goal in this proceeding is to allow such devices to operate on unused television channels in locations where such operations will not result in harmful interference to TV and other authorized services. The Commission believes that this plan will provide for more efficient and effective use of the TV spectrum and will significantly benefit the public by allowing the development of new and innovative types of devices and services for businesses and consumers, without disrupting television and other authorized services using the TV bands. Because transmissions in the TV band are subject to less propagation attenuation than transmissions in other bands where lower power operations are permitted (such as unlicensed operations in the 2.4 GHz band), operations in the TV bands can benefit a wide range of service providers and consumers by improving the service range of wireless operations, thereby allowing operators to reach new customers. While there will be significant benefits to the public from its actions, the Commission recognizes that it must balance these benefits with the need to protect authorized services in the TV bands from harmful interference. The Further NPRM proposed to allow low power transmitters to operate in the TV broadcast bands at locations where spectrum is not being used by authorized services without causing harmful interference to these services. The Further NPRM seeks comment on whether these TV band devices should be authorized on a licensed, unlicensed or hybrid basis. It would propose to require TV band devices to incorporate "smart radio" features to detect vacant TV channels and prevent

harmful interference from TV band devices to authorized services operating in the TV bands. These features would include the abilities to 1) monitor spectrum prior to transmitting to ensure that it is not in use by authorized services, 2) switch frequencies or cease transmitting if an authorized service begins using a previously unused frequency, 3) adjust transmit power to the minimum needed to establish a link, 4) determine geographic location and access a database to determine which channels are in use, and/or 5) receive a control signal and select the operating frequency based on data in the control signal. These proposals, if adopted, will prove beneficial to manufacturers and users of low power transmitters because they will provide for more efficient and effective use of the TV spectrum and allow the development of new and innovative types of wireless devices and communication services for businesses and consumers.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303(e) and 303(f); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 307

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/18/2004	69 FR 34103
FNPRM	11/17/2006	71 FR 66897
First R&O	11/17/2006	71 FR 66876

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Federal; State

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Title: Unlicensed Devices and Equipment Approval (ET Docket No. 03-201)

Abstract: The notice of proposed rulemaking proposed to update section 15.247 of the rules to allow the use of more efficient antenna technologies with unlicensed devices. The Report and Order updates several technical rules for unlicensed radiofrequency devices in part 15 of the Commission's rules. The rule changes will allow device manufacturers to develop expanded applications for unlicensed devices and will allow unlicensed device operators, including Wireless Internet Service providers greater flexibility to modify or substitute parts as long as the overall system operation is unchanged. The changes are part of an ongoing process of updating our rules to promote more efficient sharing of spectrum used by unlicensed devices and remove unnecessary regulations that inhibit such sharing. The Commission received one petition for reconsideration in this proceeding. The Second Report and Order amended the Commission's rules to provide for more efficient equipment authorization of both existing modular transmitter devices and emerging partitioned (or "split") modular transmitter devices. These rule changes will benefit manufacturers by allowing greater flexibility in certifying equipment and providing relief from the need to obtain a new equipment authorization each time the same transmitter is installed in a different final product. The rule changes will also enable manufacturers to develop more flexible and more advanced unlicensed transmitter technologies. The Commission further found that modular transmitter devices authorized in accordance with the revised equipment authorization procedures will not pose any increased risk of interference to other radio operations. The Further NPRM, seeks comment on whether there is a need to require unlicensed transmitters operating in the 915 MHz band under sections 15.247 and 15.249 of the rules to comply with a spectrum etiquette requirement, and the impact that requiring an etiquette would have on the development and operation of unlicensed 915 MHz devices operating under those rule sections. The Commission also seeks comment on the particular etiquette suggested by Cellnet that would require digitally modulated spread spectrum transmitters operating in the 915 MHz band under section 15.247 of the rules to operate at less than the 1-watt maximum power if they are continuously silent less than 90 percent of the time within a 0.4 second interval. This etiquette would require that the maximum

permitted power level decrease in accordance with a specified formula as the silent interval between transmission decreases. The Commission further seeks comment on alternatives to the etiquette suggested by Cellnet. The Memorandum Opinion and Order dismissed two petitions for reconsideration of the rules adopted in the Report and Order, 69 FR 54027, September 7, 2004, in this proceeding. It dismissed a petition for reconsideration filed by Warren C. Havens and Telesaurus Holdings GB LLC (Havens) requesting that the Commission suspend the rule changes adopted for unlicensed devices in the 902-928 MHz (915 MHz) band until such time as it completes a formal inquiry with regard to the potential effect of such changes to Location and Monitoring Service (LMS) licensees in the band. The Commission also dismissed a petition for reconsideration filed by Cellnet Technology (Cellnet) requesting that the Commission adopt spectrum sharing requirements in the unlicensed bands, e.g., a "spectrum etiquette," particularly in the 915 MHz band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302(a); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 306

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/17/2003	68 FR 68823
R&O	09/07/2004	69 FR 54027
Petition for Recon	11/19/2004	69 FR 67736
Petition for Recon	02/15/2005	70 FR 7737
Second R&O	05/23/2007	72 FR 28889
MO&O	08/01/2007	72 FR 41937
FNPRM	08/01/2007	72 FR 42011

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions

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Title: Joint Sales Agreements in Local Television Markets (MB Docket No. 04-256)

Abstract: A joint sales agreement (JSA) is an agreement with a licensee of a brokered station that authorizes a broker to sell some or all of the advertising time for the brokered station in return for a fee or percentage of revenues paid to the licensee. The Commission has sought comment on whether TV JSAs should be attributed for purposes of determining compliance with the Commission's multiple ownership rules.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 to 152(a); 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite

Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/26/2004	69 FR 52464

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Significantly Viewed Out-of-Market Broadcast Stations (MB Docket No. 05-49)

Abstract: Section 202 of the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004 creates section 340 of the Communications Act, which provides satellite carriers with the authority to offer Commission determined "significantly viewed" signals of out-of-market broadcast stations to subscribers. In the NPRM, comment was sought on implementation of section 340. The resulting Report and Order adopted a list of significantly viewed stations and procedures for stations to petition the Commission for inclusion on the list.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 54 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 340

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/08/2005	70 FR 11314
R&O	12/27/2005	70 FR 76504

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Hearing Aid-Compatible Telephones (WT Docket Nos. 01-309 & 06-150)

Abstract: This item modifies exemptions for wireless phones under the Hearing Aid Compatibility Act of 1988 (HAC Act) to require that digital wireless phones be capable of being effectively used with hearing aids. It finds that modifying the exemption will extend the benefits of wireless telecommunications to individuals with hearing disabilities--including emergency, business, and social communications--thereby increasing the value of the wireless network for all Americans.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20.19 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 251 to 254; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/23/2001	66 FR 58703
R&O	09/16/2003	68 FR 54173
Notice	11/14/2003	68 FR 64625
Final Rule	07/27/2005	70 FR 43323
NPRM	07/27/2005	70 FR 43386
NPRM	08/21/2006	71 FR 48506
NPRM	09/26/2006	71 FR 57455
NPRM Comment Period End	09/20/2006	
Proposed Rule	05/02/2007	72 FR 24236
Final Rule	05/16/2007	72 FR 27688
Final Rule	08/24/2007	72 FR 48814

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State

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Title: Rules and Regulations Implementing Minimum Customer Account Record Exchange (CARE) Obligations on All Local and Interexchange Carriers (CG Docket No. 02-386)

Abstract: On December 20, 2002, the Commission issued a Public Notice directing interested parties to file comments on issues raised in a petition filed with the Commission by Americatel Corporation and on a separate petition filed by AT&T, Sprint, and MCI. The petitions asked the Commission to address problems relating to the exchange of customer account records between local and long distance telephone service providers. On March 25, 2004, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CG Docket No. 02-386 seeking further comment on the two petitions and seeking comment as to whether to replace the current voluntary industry process for the exchange of customer account information between local and long distance service providers with mandatory, minimum standards applicable to all such providers. On February 25, 2005, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CG Docket No. 02-386. The Report and Order adopted final rules governing the exchange of customer account information between local and long distance telephone service providers. The Commission adopted these rules to help to ensure that consumers' phone service bills are accurate and that their carrier selection requests are honored and executed without undue delay. In the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission sought comment on the need for rules governing the exchange of customer account information between local telephone service providers. On April 15, 2005, and June 15, 2005, a coalition of local and long distance carriers proposed minor modifications and clarifications to section 64.4002 of the Commission's CARE rules. On August 29, 2005, the Commission released a public notice requesting comment on the coalition's proposed clarifications and modifications. Notice of the proposed changes was published in the Federal Register on September 7, 2005 (70 FR 53137). The comment cycle established by the August 29 public notice closed October 3, 2005. On September 13, 2006, the Commission released an Order on Reconsideration adopting the clarifications and technical corrections to the Report and Order, as proposed by the coalition of carriers. On December 21, 2007, the Commission released a Report and Order declining to adopt mandatory data exchange requirements between local exchange carriers.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.4000; 47 CFR 64.4001 to 64.4006 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201 and 202; 47 USC 303(r)
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/19/2004	69 FR 20845
NPRM Comment Period End	06/18/2004	
R&O and FNPRM (Release Date)	02/25/2005	
FNPRM Comment Period End	08/01/2005	
Public Notice	08/29/2005	70 FR 53137-01
Public Notice Comment Period End	10/03/2005	
Order on Recon	12/13/2006	71 FR 74819
R&O	01/08/2008	73 FR 1297

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Title: Truth in Billing and Billing Format

Abstract: In 1999, the Commission adopted truth-in-billing rules to address concerns that there is consumer confusion relating to billing for telecommunications services. On March 18, 2005, the Commission released an Order and FNPRM to further facilitate the ability of telephone consumers to make informed choices among competitive service offerings.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: No Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.2400 and 64. 2401 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 201; 47 USC 258
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Order	05/25/2005	70 FR 29979
FNPRM	05/25/2005	70 FR 30044

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: No
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Title: E911 Requirements for IP-Enabled Service Providers

Abstract: The notice seeks comment on what additional steps the Commission should take to ensure that providers of voice-over Internet protocol services that interconnect with the public switched telephone network provide ubiquitous and reliable enhanced 911 service.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 9 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 251(e); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/29/2005	70 FR 37307
NPRM Comment Period End	09/12/2005	
NPRM	06/20/2007	72 FR 33948
NPRM Comment Period End	07/11/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Federalism: No

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Title: Revision of Procedures Governing Amendments to FM Table of Allotments and Changes of Community of License in the Radio Broadcast Services (MB Docket No. 05-210)

Abstract: The rulemaking was initiated to reduce backlog in, and streamline, the FM allotment procedures and, to a lesser extent, streamline certain procedures pertaining to AM applications. Although the Commission has made important changes to streamline the processing of radio broadcast applications, the basic procedures for amending the Table have not changed since 1982. The Notice seeks comment on a number of specific rule and procedural changes in the handling of FM and AM applications and rulemaking petitions to amend the Table. In the area of applications procedures, the Notice seeks comments on various proposals designed to encourage only bona fide proponents to submit petitions and to limit the complexity of such

petitions. If these changes are adopted, it will expedite the approval and implementation on new and upgraded radio service to the public. The Report and Order adopted the proposals from the notice.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/22/2005	70 FR 44537
NPRM Comment Period End	10/03/2005	
R&O	12/20/2006	71 FR 76208

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Organizations

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Service Rules and Procedures To Govern the Use of Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Service Earth Stations in the Frequency Bands Allocated to the Fixed Satellite Service (IB Docket No. 05-20)

Abstract: This Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) proposes and seeks comment on a regulatory framework for licensing the operation of Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Service (AMSS) systems to communicate with fixed satellite service (FSS) networks in the KU-Band frequencies. Aircraft Earth Stations(AES) in the AMSS can be used to provide broadband telecommunications services on passenger, government, and executive/private aircraft. The NPRM also seeks comment on licensing methods for AES terminals that will minimize the burdens upon applicants and licensees, while maintaining operational limitations necessary to avoid harmful interference.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303(c); 47 USC 303(f) and 303(g); ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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NPRM	02/09/2005	70 FR 20508
NPRM Comment Period End	08/03/2005	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Digital Television Distributed Transmission System Technologies (MB Docket No. 05-312)

Abstract: A digital television transmission system (DTS) employs multiple synchronized transmitters spread around a station's service area. Such distributed transmitters fill in unserved areas in the parent station's coverage area. The notice of proposed rulemaking examines issues related to the use of DTS and proposes rules for future DTS operation.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.626; 47 CFR 73.6023 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) to 154(j); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 301; ...

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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NPRM	12/07/2005	70 FR 72763

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Title: Implementation of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992

Abstract: Section 621(a)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, states in relevant part that "a franchising authority ...may not unreasonably refuse to award an additional competitive franchise." The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Notice) solicits comment on implementation of section 621(a)(1)'s directive, and whether the franchising process unreasonably impedes the achievement of the interrelated Federal goals of enhanced cable competition and accelerated broadband deployment and, if so, how the Commission should act to address that problem. The subsequent Report and Order found that certain actions by local franchising authorities constitute an unreasonable refusal to award a competitive franchise within the meaning of section 621(a)(1). The item included a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on how the findings should affect existing franchises. In the Second Report and Order, a number of the rules promulgated in this docket are extended to incumbent cable operators.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 541(a)(1); 47 USC 556(c)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/19/2005	70 FR 73973
R&O and FNPRM	03/21/2007	72 FR 13230
Second R&O	11/23/2007	72 FR 65670

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Early Termination Fees

Abstract: The Commission released two public notices on May 18, 2005, seeking comment on petitions for declaratory ruling on the issue of whether early termination fees in wireless carriers' service contracts are "rates charged" within the meaning of section 332 of the Communications Act.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: None (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
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Public Notice	05/18/2005	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
 Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: No

Small Entities Affected: Business

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Title: Closed Captioning of Video Programming

Abstract: This proceeding is initiated to seek comment on rules the FCC adopted in 1997 regarding closed captioning and whether changes are needed to make the rules more effective in making video programming more accessible to deaf and hard of hearing Americans.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 79.1 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 613

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
R&O	09/16/1997	62 CFR 48487
Notice	10/02/1997	62 FR 54848
Order on Recon	10/28/1998	63 FR 55959
Notice	09/29/2000	65 FR 58552
Notice	01/05/2001	66 FR 1136
Notice	12/31/2003	68 FR 75558
Notice	05/11/2004	69 FR 26095
NPRM	09/26/2005	70 FR 56150
Comment Period Extended	11/25/2005	70 FR 71077
Comment Period End	12/16/2005	
Notice	09/27/2007	72 FR 70324

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: Consumer Protection in the Broadband Era

Abstract: The Federal Communications Commission initiated this rulemaking in order to develop a framework that ensures that, as the telecommunications industry shifts from narrowband to broadband services, consumer protection needs are met by all providers of broadband Internet access service, regardless of the underlying technology providers use to offer the service. The Commission sought comment on whether adopting regulations, pursuant to its ancillary jurisdiction under title I of the Communications Act, to address consumer privacy, unauthorized changes to service, truth-in-billing, network outage reporting, discontinuance of service, rate averaging, and enforcement concerns, would be desirable and necessary as a matter of public policy. The Commission also sought comment on whether it should instead rely on market forces to address some or all of these areas of potential concern. The rulemaking also explores whether there are other areas of consumer protection related to

wireline broadband Internet access service for which the Commission should adopt regulations pursuant to its ancillary jurisdiction.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: None (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 to 154; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 222; 47 USC 225; 47 USC 251 and 252; 47 USC 254 to 256; 47 USC 258; 47 USC 303(R)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/17/2005	70 FR 60259
NPRM Comment Period End	03/01/2006	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Elimination of the Commission's Rules, Regarding International Fixed Public Radio Service (IB Docket No. 05-216)

Abstract: International Fixed Public Radiocommunication Services (IFPRS) is fixed wireless service between the United States and foreign points. Currently, this service is offered primarily for communications between Puerto Rico and Caribbean countries. In the NPRM, the Commission proposes elimination of part 23, which contains procedural and technical rules for IFPRS, and makes IFPRS operators subject to part 101, which currently covers domestic fixed wireless service. This proceeding is needed to simplify the Commission's rules governing fixed wireless service.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 23; 47 CFR 101 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 301

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/28/2005	70 FR 56620
NPRM Comment Period End	11/14/2005	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Accessibility of Programming Providing Emergency Information

Abstract: In this proceeding, the Commission adopted rules detailing how video programming distributors must make emergency information accessible to persons with hearing and visual disabilities.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 79.2 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 613

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
FNPRM	01/21/1998	63 FR 3070
NPRM	12/01/1999	64 FR 67236
NPRM Correction	12/22/1999	64 FR 67236
R&O	09/11/2000	65 FR 54805
Notice	02/24/2004	69 FR 8414
Final Action	09/28/2005	70 FR 56582
Notice	07/05/2007	72 FR 36705
Comment Period End	09/04/2007	
Notice	10/01/2007	72 FR 55770

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Spectrum Requirements for Advanced Medical Technologies

Abstract: The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking focused on ways to better accommodate the operation of implanted and body-worn medical transmitters in the 400 MHz band. These devices use wireless technologies for increasingly sophisticated and beneficial health care applications. Such applications currently include cardiac defibrillators for heart patients and real-time blood sugar monitoring devices for diabetics, and may, in the future, include applications as diverse as brain, muscle and nerve stimulation techniques for treating an array of conditions from Parkinson's disease to severe chronic depression. The Commission proposed to modify its current rules and designate an additional two megahertz of spectrum in the adjacent 401-402 MHz and 405-406 MHz bands in order to appropriately provide needed capacity and more flexible operating rules for

beneficial medical radio communication devices and thereby serve the public interest.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303(f) and 303(g); 47 USC 307(e); 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/02/2006	71 FR 43682
NPRM Comment Period End	10/31/2006	
NPRM--Reply Comment Period End	12/04/2006	

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 06-135

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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Title: DTV Signals Pursuant to the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004

Abstract: Consistent with the provisions of section 204 of Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004 (SHVERA) (Pub. L. 108-447, 204, 118 Stat 2809, 3393 3423-24, (2004), codified at 47 U.S.C. 339(c)(1)) and the Commission's Report to Congress (SHVERA Report) ("Study of Digital Television Field Strength Standards and Testing Procedures" (SHVERA Report), ET Docket No. 05-182, 20 FCC Rcd 19504 (2005)), the Commission proposes to amend the rules to include procedures for measuring the field strength of digital television signals. These new measurement procedures are needed to account for the differences that are inherent between the NTSC (analog) and digital television signals. While the proposed procedures would be generally applicable for measuring digital TV signal strengths, they would specifically be used in determining if a household is served by a digital television signal as part of an evaluation of the household's eligibility to receive a distant digital network signal from a satellite television provider.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 339(a)(2); 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154 (i) and 154(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/06/2006	71 FR 38346

Additional Information: ET Docket No. 06-94

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No Government Levels Affected: No
 Small Entities Affected: No
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Title: Recommendations of the Independent Panel Reviewing the Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Communications Networks
Abstract: In the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in EB Docket No. 06-119, the Commission initiated a comprehensive rulemaking to address and implement the recommendations presented by the Independent Panel Reviewing the Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Communications Networks (Independent Panel). The Independent Panel's report described the impact of one of the worst natural disasters in the Nation's history as well as the overall public and private response efforts. In addition, the report included recommendations which relate to: (1) Pre-positioning the communications industry and the government for disasters in order to achieve greater network reliability and resiliency; (2) improving recovery coordination to address existing shortcomings and to maximize the use of existing resources; (3) improving the operability and interoperability of public safety and 911 communications in times of crisis; and (4) improving communication of emergency information to the public. The Commission, in this proceeding, is to take the lessons learned from this disaster and build upon them to promote more effective, efficient response and recovery efforts as well as heightened readiness and preparedness in the future. To accomplish this goal, the Commission invited comment on what actions the Commission can take to address the Independent Panel's recommendations. In the Order released June 8, 2007 (EB Docket No. 06-119 and WC Docket No. 06-63), the Commission directed the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau to implement several of the recommendations made by the Independent Panel. The Commission also adopted rules requiring some communications providers to have emergency/backup power and requiring certain communications providers to conduct analyses and submit reports on the redundancy and resiliency of their 911 and E911 networks and/or systems. Finally, the Commission extended limited regulatory relief from Section 272 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, previously accorded by the Wireline Competition Bureau. In an Order on Reconsideration released on October 4, 2007, the Commission considered six petitions for reconsideration and/or clarification of the June 2007 Order that adopted the backup power rule (section 12.2 of the Commission's rules). The Order on Reconsideration granted in part and denied in part the petitions. The Commission modified the backup power rule to address several meritorious issues raised by petitioners. This modification will facilitate carrier compliance and reduce the burden on local exchange carriers and commercial mobile radio service providers, while continuing to further important homeland security and public safety goals.

Priority: Other Significant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 12 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 218; 47 USC 303(r)
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/07/2006	71 FR 38564
Order	07/11/2007	72 FR 37655
Delay of Effective Date of Rule	08/10/2007	72 FR 44978
Petitions for Recon	08/20/2007	72 FR 46485
Order on Recon	10/11/2007	72 FR 57879

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees

Abstract: Section 9 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 159, requires the FCC to recover the cost of its activities by assessing and collecting annual regulatory fees from beneficiaries of the activities.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.1151 et seq (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 159

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/06/2006	71 FR 17410
R&O	08/02/2006	71 FR 43842
NPRM	05/02/2007	72 FR 20213
R&O and FNPRM	08/16/2007	72 FR 46010
NPRM	05/28/2008	73 FR 30563
R&O and FNPRM	08/26/2008	73 FR 50201

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
 Organizations

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: The Establishment of Policies and Service Rules for the 17/24 GHz Broadcasting-Satellite Service (IB Docket No. 06-123)

Abstract: The Commission proposes application processing and service rules for the 17/24 GHz Broadcasting Satellite Service (BSS). The Commission proposes and/or seeks comment on a number of issues, including: licensing procedures, posting of performance bonds, milestone schedules, limits on pending applications, annual reporting, license terms, replacement satellites, access to the U.S. market from non-U.S. satellites; public interest obligations, copyright and broadcast carriage, equal employment opportunity, geographic service coverage, and emergency alert system participation; use of internationally allocated spectrum by receiving stations located outside the United States; orbital spacing and antenna

performance standards; technical requirements for intra-service sharing; other technical requirements, such as reverse band operations, tracking, telemetry, and command operations, polarization, and full frequency re-use requirements; and technical requirements for inter-service sharing in the 17 and 24 GHz bands.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: Undetermined
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 4; 47 USC 154
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/02/2006	71 FR 43687

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State

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Title: Rural Health Care Support Mechanism; FCC 06-144 (WC Docket No. 02-60)

Abstract: The Commission has established a Pilot Program under the Universal Service Fund rural health care mechanism, which will fund up to 85 percent of the cost of building statewide and regional broadband networks connecting not-for-profit and public health care providers, and connecting these networks to Internet2 or National Lambda Rail, as well as to the public Internet. In November 2007, the Commission selected 69 entities to participate in the pilot program.

Priority: Other Significant
 Major: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 54 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 254(h); 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 403
 Legal Deadline: None

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Unfunded Mandates: No

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Order	11/08/2006	71 FR 65517
Order on Recon	02/06/2007	
Order	02/14/2008	73 FR 8670

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No
 RIN Information URL: www.fcc.gov/cgb/rural/rhcp.html
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Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Processing Applications in the Direct Broadcast Satellite Service; Feasibility of Reduced Orbital Spacing for Provision of Direct Broadcast Satellite Service in the United States (IB Docket No. 06-160)

Abstract: This item addresses licensing procedures and service rules for satellites providing Direct Broadcast Satellite (DBS) service in the United States using the 12.2-12.7 GHz band and associated feeder links in the 17.3-17.8 GHz band. This includes both unassigned channels at orbit locations assigned to the United States under the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Region 2 Broadcasting-Satellite Service (BSS) and feeder-link plans, and applications for DBS service from space stations located at orbital locations not assigned to the United States in the ITU Region 2 BSS and feeder-link plans.

Priority: Economically Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 309(j)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	09/28/2006	71 FR 56923
NPRM Comment Period End	01/25/2007	72 FR 3102

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Program Access Rules--Sunset of Exclusive Contracts Prohibition & Examination of Programming Tying Arrangements; (MB Docket Nos. 07-29, 07-198)

Abstract: The program access provisions of the Communications Act (section 628) generally prohibit exclusive contracts for satellite delivered programming between programmers in which a cable operator has an attributable interest (vertically integrated programmers) and cable operators. This limitation was set to expire on October 5, 2007, unless circumstances in the video programming marketplace indicate that an extension of the prohibition continues "to be necessary to preserve and protect competition and diversity in the distribution of video programming." The proceeding undertakes the required review. The Report and Order concluded the prohibition continues to be necessary, and accordingly, retained it until October 5, 2012. The accompanying Notice of Proposed Rulemaking sought comment on revisions to the Commission's program access and retransmission consent rules.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76.1003 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 548

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	03/01/2007	72 FR 9289
R&O	10/04/2007	72 FR 56645
NPRM	10/31/2007	72 FR 61590

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Implementation of the Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act (CSEA) and Modernization of the Commission's Competitive Bidding Rules and Procedures (WT Docket No. 05-211)

Abstract: This proceeding implements rules and procedures needed to comply with the recently enacted Commercial Spectrum Enhancement Act (CSEA). It establishes a mechanism for reimbursing federal agencies out of spectrum auction proceeds for the cost of relocating their operations from certain "eligible frequencies" that have been reallocated from Federal to non-Federal use. It also seeks to improve the Commission's ability to achieve Congress's directives with regard to designated entities and to ensure that, in accordance with the intent of Congress, every recipient of its designated entity benefits is an entity that uses its licenses to directly provide facilities-based telecommunications services for the benefit of the public.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.913; 47 CFR 1.919; 47 CFR 1.2103 to 1.2105; 47 CFR 1.2110 to 1.2112; 47 CFR 1.2114; 47 CFR 73.3571; 47 CFR 73.3573; 47 CFR 73.5003; 47 CFR 73.5006 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 15 USC 79; 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i)-(j); 47 USC 155; 47 USC 155(c); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 225; 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 309(j); 47 USC 325(e); 47 USC 334; 47 USC 336; 47 USC 339; 47 USC 554

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	06/14/2005	70 FR 43372
Declaratory Ruling	06/14/2005	70 FR 43322
R&O	01/24/2006	71 FR 6214
FNPRM	02/03/2006	71 FR 6992
Second R&O	04/25/2006	71 FR 26245
Order on Recon of Second R&O	06/02/2006	71 FR 34272
Order on Recon of Second R&O	06/02/2006	71 FR 34272
Comment Period End	09/20/2006	
Reply Comment Period End	10/20/2006	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Federal; Local; State

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Title: Third Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television (MB Docket No. 07-91)

Abstract: Congress has mandated that after February 17, 2009, full-power broadcast stations must transmit only in digital signals, and may no longer transmit analog signals. This proceeding is the Commission's third periodic review of the transition of the nation's broadcast television system from analog to digital television (DTV). The Commission conducts these periodic reviews in order to assess the progress of the transition and make any necessary adjustments to the Commission's rules and policies to facilitate the introduction of DTV service and the recovery of spectrum at the end of the transition. In this review, the Commission considers how to ensure that broadcasters complete construction of their final post-transition (digital) facilities by the statutory deadline.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.616; 47 CFR 73.623 and 73.624; 47 CFR 73.682(d); 47 CFR 73.8000 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 154(j); 47 USC 301 to 303; 47 USC 307 to 309; 47 USC 312; 47 USC 316; 47 USC 318 and 319; 47 USC 324 and 325; 47 USC 336 and 337

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
R&O (released)	01/30/2007	
NPRM	07/09/2007	72 FR 37310
Order on Clarification	07/10/2008	73 FR 39623

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules To Allocate Spectrum and Adopt Service Rules and Procedures To Govern the Use of Vehicle-Mounted Earth Stations (IB Docket No. 07-101)

Abstract: The Commission seeks comment on the proposed amendment of parts 2 and 25 of the Commission's rules to allocate spectrum for use with Vehicle-Mounted Earth Stations (VMES) in the Fixed-Satellite Service in the Ku-band uplink at 14.0-14.5 GHz and Ku-band downlink 11.72-12.2 GHz on a primary basis, and in the extended Ku-band downlink at 10.95-11.2 GHz and 11.45-11.7 GHz on a non-protected basis, and to adopt Ku-band VMES licensing and service rules modeled on the FCC's rules for Ku-band Earth Stations on Vessels (ESVs). The record in this proceeding will provide a basis for Commission

action to facilitate introduction of this proposed service.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 25 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) to (j); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303 (c); 47 USC 303 (f); 47 USC 303 (g); 47 USC 303 (r); 47 USC 303 (y); 47 USC 308

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/08/2007	72 FR 39357
NPRM Comment Period End	09/04/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Federal

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Title: Operation in the 57-64 GHz Band (ET Docket No. 07-133)

Abstract: The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposed to amend the requirements of the Commission's rules applicable to transmitters operating on an unlicensed basis in the 57-64 GHz frequency range (the 60 GHz-band). The proposed rule changes would allow longer communication ranges for unlicensed point-to-point 60 GHz broadband digital systems and thereby extend the ability of such systems to supply very high speed broadband service to office buildings and other commercial facilities. The Commission believes these proposals would encourage broader deployment of point-to-point digital systems in this band without increasing the potential for harmful interference, and thereby further the Commission's objective of promoting the availability of broadband connectivity to all Americans.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157(a); 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303(f); 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r); 347 USC 307(e); 47 USC 332

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/19/2007	72 FR 39588

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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Title: Amendment for Eligibility Rules for FM Broadcast Translator Stations (MB Docket No. 07-172)

Abstract: On July 14, 2006, the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) filed a Petition for Rulemaking proposing that the Commission amend its rules to allow AM broadcast stations to operate FM translator stations. The NAB Petition proposed that AM stations be permitted to license and/or use FM translator stations to retransmit their AM service as a fill-in service. Specifically, the NAB proposed that AM stations be allowed to use FM translator stations to rebroadcast the AM signal, provided that no portion of the 60 dBu contour of any such FM translator station extends beyond the smaller of: (a) A 25-mile radius from the AM transmitter site; or (b) the 2 mV/m daytime contour of the AM station. The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking proposes rules permitting the use of FM translators by AM stations and examines the issues related to such a rule change, including the issue of program origination at night over FM translators by AM daytime-only stations.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1201; 47 CFR 1231 and 1232; 47 CFR 1263; 47 CFR 1284 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations.](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154 (i) and (j); 47 USC 301 to 303; 47 USC 307 to 309; 47 USC 319; 47 USC 324

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM (Release Date)	08/15/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: Exclusive Service Contracts for Provision of Video Services in Multiple Dwelling Units and Other Real Estate Developments (MB Docket No. 07-51)

Abstract: This proceeding was initiated to review the use of exclusive contracts for the provision of video services to multiple dwelling units (MDUs) or other real estate developments. Potential competitors seeking to enter the multichannel video programming distributor (MVPD) marketplace have alleged that the use of exclusive contracts for the provision of video services to MDUs or other real estate developments serves as a barrier to entry. Accordingly, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking solicited comment on whether the use of exclusive contracts in the MDU video provider market unreasonably impedes the achievement of the interrelated Federal goals of enhanced multichannel video competition and accelerated broadband deployment and, if so, how the Commission should act to address that problem. The Report & Order finds that contractual

agreements granting exclusivity to cable operators harm competition and broadband deployment. The Order prohibits the enforcement of exclusivity clauses and the execution of new ones by cable operators. The accompanying Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeks comment on exclusive clauses by providers of DBS and other MVPDs.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 543; 47 USC 548(b)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/18/2007	72 FR 19448
FNPRM	01/07/2008	73 FR 1195
R&O	01/07/2008	73 FR 1080

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: Leased Commercial Access (MB Docket No. 07-42)

Abstract: Section 612 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended sets forth the commercial leased access requirements. Cable operators are required to set aside channel capacity for commercial use by video programmers unaffiliated with the operator. Section 616 of the Communications Act directs the Commission to "establish regulations governing program carriage agreements and related practices between cable operators or other multichannel video programming distributors (MVPDs) and video programming vendors." The Commission's program carriage rules prohibit a cable operator or other MVPD from requiring "a financial interest in any program service as a condition for carriage" of such service, from coercing a programmer to grant "exclusive" carriage rights, or from engaging in conduct that unreasonably restrains "the ability of an unaffiliated programming vendor to compete fairly" by discriminating against such vendor "on the basis of affiliation or nonaffiliation." The Report and Order modified the leased access rules by modifying the leased access rate formula; adopting customer service obligations and adopting expedited time frames for resolution of complaints. In the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, comment was sought regarding application of the new rate formula to programmers that predominantly transmit sales presentations or program length commercials.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 532; 47 USC 536

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	07/18/2007	72 FR 39370

R&O and FNPRM

02/28/2008

73 FR 10675

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Required: Undetermined

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Title: DTV Consumer Education Initiative (MB Docket No. 07-148)

Abstract: Congress has mandated that after February 17, 2009, full-power broadcast stations must transmit only in digital signals, and may no longer transmit analog signals. From the beginning of the digital transition, the Commission has been committed to working with representatives from industry, public interest groups, and Congress to make the significant benefits of digital broadcasting available to the public. The digital transition will make valuable spectrums available for both public safety uses and expanded wireless competition and innovation. It will also provide consumers with better quality television picture and sound, and make new services available through multicasting. These innovations, however, are dependent upon widespread consumer understanding of the benefits and the mechanics of the transition. While the Commission has been engaged in various DTV outreach efforts, this proceeding was initiated to seek public comment on whether there are additional steps relating to consumer education about the digital transition which the Commission should take.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 335 and 336

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/16/2007	72 FR 46014
NPRM Comment Period End	09/17/2007	
R&O	03/24/2008	73 FR 15431

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers (WC Docket No. 07-135)

Abstract: The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) is examining whether its existing rules governing the setting of tariffed rates by local exchange carriers (LECs) provide incentives and opportunities for carriers to increase access

demand endogenously with the result that the tariff rates are no longer just and reasonable. The Commission tentatively concluded that it must revise its tariff rules so that it can be confident that tariffed rates remain just and reasonable even if a carrier experiences or induces significant increases in access demand. The Commission seeks comment on the types of activities that are causing the increases in interstate access demand and the effects of such demand increases on the cost structures of LECs. The Commission also seeks comment on several means of ensuring just and reasonable rates going forward. The NPRM invites comment on potential traffic stimulation by rate-of-return LECs, price cap LECs, and competitive LECs, as well as other forms of intercarrier traffic stimulation. Comments were received on December 17, 2007, and reply comments were received on January 16, 2008.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/15/2007	72 FR 64179
NPRM Comment Period End	12/17/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
 Energy Affected: No
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Title: The Commercial Mobile Alert System

Abstract: In the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission initiated a comprehensive rulemaking to establish a commercial mobile alert system under which commercial mobile service providers may elect to transmit emergency alerts to the public.

Priority: Other Significant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)
 Legal Authority: PL 109-347 title VI; EO 13407; 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i)
 Legal Deadline:

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Must adopt system technical requirements by this date.	04/09/2008

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	01/03/2008	73 FR 545
NPRM Comment Period End	02/04/2008	
First R&O	07/24/2008	73 FR 43009
FNPRM	08/14/2008	73 FR 47568
Second R&O	08/14/2008	73 FR 47550

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
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Title: Broadcast Localism (MB Docket No. 04-233)

Abstract: The concept of localism has been a cornerstone of broadcast regulation. The Commission has consistently held that as temporary trustee of the public's airwaves, broadcasters are obligated to operate their stations to serve the public interest. Specifically, broadcasters are required to air programming responsive to the needs and issues of the people in their licensed communities. The Commission opened this proceeding to seek input on a number of issues related to broadcast localism.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action
 Major: Undetermined Unfunded Mandates: No
 CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))
 Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 532; 47 USC 536
 Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	02/13/2008	73 FR 8255
NPRM Comment Period End	03/14/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
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Title: Spectrum Assignments for Ancillary Terrestrial Components in the Mobile-Satellite Service Big LEO Bands (IB Docket No. 07-253)

Abstract: Ancillary terrestrial components (ATC) allow MSS operators to integrate terrestrial services into their satellite networks in order to augment coverage in areas where their satellite signals are largely unavailable due to blocking, by re-using their assigned MSS frequencies. In the Big LEO bands, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) has limited ATC operations to the 1610-1615.5 MHz, 1621.35-1626.5 MHz in the L-band and 2487.5-2493 MHz in the S-band. The Commission seeks comment on expanding the L-band and S-band spectrum in which satellite operator Globalstar, Inc. is authorized to operate ATC. The Commission also seeks comment on what measures would be needed to protect services with

which the Mobile-Satellite Service (MSS) shares the S-band.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25.149; 47 CFR 25.254 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 157; 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303(e) and 303(f); 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/19/2007	72 FR 64979
NPRM Comment Period End	12/19/2007	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Federalism: Undetermined

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Title: Jurisdictional Separations

Abstract: Jurisdictional separations is the process, pursuant to part 36 of the Commission's rules, by which incumbent local exchange carriers apportion regulated costs between the intrastate and interstate jurisdictions. In 1997, the Commission initiated a proceeding seeking comment on the extent to which legislative changes, technological changes, and market changes warrant comprehensive reform of the separations process. In 2001, the Commission adopted the Federal-State Joint Board on Jurisdictional Separations' recommendation to impose an interim freeze of the part 36 category relationships and jurisdictional cost allocation factors for a period of five years, pending comprehensive reform of the part 36 separations rules. In 2006, the Commission adopted an Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, which extended the separations freeze for a period of three years and sought comment on comprehensive reform.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 36 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i) and 154(j); 47 USC 205; 47 USC 221(c); 47 USC 254; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 410

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/05/1997	62 FR 59842
NPRM Comment Period End	12/10/1997	
Order	06/21/2001	66 FR 33202
Order and FNPRM	05/26/2006	71 FR 29882
Order and FNPRM Comment Period End	08/22/2006	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Creating a Low Power Radio Service (MM Docket NO. 99-25)

Abstract: This proceeding was initiated to establish a new noncommercial educational low power FM radio service for non-profit community organizations and public safety entities. In January 2000, the Commission adopted a Report and Order establishing two classes of LPFM stations, 100 watt (LP100) and 10 watt (LP10) facilities, with service radii of approximately 3.5 miles and 1-2 miles, respectively. The Report and Order also established ownership and eligibility rules for the LPFM service. The Commission generally restricted ownership to entities with no attributable interest in any other broadcast station or other media. To choose among entities filing mutually exclusive applications for LPFM licenses, the Commission established a point system favoring local ownership and locally-originated programming. The Report and Order imposed separation requirements for LPFM with respect to full power stations operating on co-, first- and second-adjacent and intermediate frequency (IF) channels. In December 2000, legislation was enacted that required the Commission to modify its rules to (i) prescribe LPFM station third-adjacent channel interference protection standards and (ii) prohibit any applicant from obtaining an LPFM station license if the applicant previously has engaged in the unlicensed operation of a station. In March 2001, the Commission adopted a Second Report and Order implementing this statute. In a Further Notice issued in 2005, the Commission reexamined some of its rules governing the LPFM service, noting that the rules may adjustment in order to ensure that the Commission maximizes the value of the LPFM service without harming the interests of full-power FM stations or other Commission licensees. The Commission sought comment on a number of issues with respect to LPFM ownership restrictions and eligibility. The Third Report and Order resolves issues raised in the Further Notice. The accompanying Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking considers rule changes to avoid the potential loss of LPFM stations.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.801 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 to 152; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 405

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	12/16/1999	64 FR 2577
R&O	02/15/2000	65 FR 7616
MO&O and Order on Recon	11/09/2000	65 FR 67289
Second R&O	05/10/2001	66 FR 238611
Second Order on Recon and FNPRM	07/07/2005	70 FR 3918
Third R&O and Second FNPRM	01/17/2008	73 FR 3202

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business;
Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Service Quality Measurement Plan for Interstate Special Access and Monthly Usage Reporting Requirements (WC Docket No. 02-112; CC Docket No. 00-175; WC Docket No. 06-120)

Abstract: Pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, the Commission imposed two information collections as conditions of substantial regulatory relief granted to the Bell Operating Companies (BOCs), including their independent incumbent local exchange carrier affiliates. The first information collection requires the BOCs, including their independent incumbent local exchange carrier (incumbent LEC) affiliates, to report special access performance metrics on a quarterly basis. The second information collection requires the BOCs, and their independent incumbent LEC affiliates, to provide their residential customers with the total number of long distance telecommunications service minutes they use each month.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 53 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151 and 152; 47 USC 154(i)&(j); 47 USC 201 to 204; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 220(a); 47 USC 251 and 252; 47 USC 272; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	10/02/2001	66 FR 50139
NPRM	05/29/2003	68 FR 32007
R&O	10/12/2007	72 FR 58021

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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Title: Implementation of NET 911 Improvement Act

Abstract: On July 23, 2008, the New and Emerging Technologies Act was enacted. On August 25, 2008, the Commission released an NPRM seeking comment on implementing the NET 911 Improvement Act.

Priority: Other Significant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: PL 110-283

Legal Deadline:

Action	Source	Description	Date
Other	Statutory	Must implement portions of the NET 911 Improvement Act.	10/21/2008

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	08/28/2008	73 FR 50741
NPRM Comment Period End	09/09/2008	

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Title: Sponsorship Identification Rules and Embedded Advertising (MB Docket No. 08-90)

Abstract: The Commission undertook this proceeding to seek comment on the relationship between the Commission's sponsorship identification rules and the increasing reliance on industry by embedded advertising techniques. Due to recent technological changes that allow consumers to more easily bypass traditional commercial content, content providers may be turning to more subtle and sophisticated means of incorporating commercial messages into programming. The NPRM will seek to determine how embedded advertising affects the efficacy of the sponsorship identification rules in protecting the public's right to know who is paying to air commercials or other programming matter on broadcast outlets and cable television systems.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 154(j); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 303(a); 47 USC 317; 47 USC 405; 47 USC 508

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM & NOI	07/24/2008	73 FR 43194
NPRM Comment Period End	09/22/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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Title: Speech-to-Speech and Internet Protocol (IP) Speech-to-Speech Telecommunications Relay Services (CG Docket No. 08-15)

Abstract: This proceeding establishes a new docket, CG Docket No. 08-15, that stems from the general telecommunications relay service (TRS) docket, CG Docket No. 03-123. It concentrates on regulations related to Speech-to-Speech (STS) TRS. It includes an NPRM in which the Commission seeks comment on ways to improve the provision of STS, including, for example, whether to modify the minimum time period a communications assistant should be required to stay on a call, and ways to improve outreach associated with STS. The Commission also seeks comment on its tentative conclusion that Internet Protocol

STS (IP STS) is a form of TRS eligible for compensation from the Interstate TRS Fund, as well as on related issues with respect to the provision, regulation, and compensation of IP STS.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 64.601 to 64.606 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 225; 47 USC 255; 47 USC 303(r)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
Public Notice	04/07/2008	73 FR 18796
Comment Period End	05/22/2008	
NPRM	08/13/2008	73 FR 47120
NPRM Comment Period End	09/29/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Government Levels Affected: State

Required: Undetermined

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Title: Facilitating the Provision of Fixed and Mobile Broadband Access Educational and Other Advanced Services in the 2150-2162 and 2500-2690 MHz Bands; Reviewing of the Spectrum Sharing Plan Among Non-Geost

Abstract: The Commission seeks comment on whether to assign Educational Broadband Service (EBS) spectrum in the Gulf of Mexico. It also seeks comment on how to license unassigned and available EBS spectrum. Specifically, we seek comment on whether it would be in the public interest to develop a scheme for licensing unassigned EBS spectrum that avoids mutual exclusivity; we ask whether EBS eligible entities could participate fully in a spectrum auction; we seek comment on the use of small business size standards and bidding credits for EBS if we adopt a licensing scheme that could result in mutually exclusive applications; we seek comment on the proper market size and size of spectrum blocks for new EBS licenses; and we seek comment on issuing one license to a State agency designated by the Governor to be the spectrum manager, using frequency coordinators to avoid mutually exclusive EBS applications, as well as other alternative licensing schemes. The Commission must develop a new licensing scheme for EBS in order to achieve the Commission's goal of facilitating the development of new and innovative wireless services for the benefit of students throughout the nation.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: Not Yet Determined (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 301 to 303; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 309; 47 USC 332; 47 USC 336 and 337

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	04/02/2003	68 FR 34560
FNPRM	07/29/2004	69 FR 72048

R&O	07/29/2004	69 FR 72020
MO&O	04/27/2006	71 FR 35178
Further NPRM	03/20/2008	73 FR 26067
MO&O	03/20/2008	73 FR 26032

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Business; Governmental Jurisdictions; Organizations
 Government Levels Affected: Local; State; Tribal

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Title: Amendment of the Commission's Rules Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Mobile Handsets; Petition of American National Standards Institute Accredited Standards Committee C63 (EMC) ANSI AS C63

Abstract: Possible future action on whether, or to what extent, multi-band and multi-mode handsets should be counted as hearing aid-compatible if they operate in part over frequency bands or air interfaces for which technical standards have not yet been established.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Long-term Action

Major: Undetermined

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20.19 (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#))

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 160; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 251 to 254; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 332; 47 USC 710

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Next Action Undetermined		
NPRM	11/07/2007	72 FR 64294
NPRM Comment Period End	12/21/2007	
Interim Final Rule	05/07/2008	73 FR 25566
Interim Final Rule Effective	06/06/2008	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
 Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: No

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Title: Toll-Free Service Access Codes

Abstract: This proceeding assures that toll-free numbers are allocated on an efficient, fair, and orderly basis.

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Agenda Stage of Rulemaking: Completed Action

Major: No

Unfunded Mandates: No

CFR Citation: None (To search for a specific CFR, visit the [Code of Federal Regulations](#).)

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 et seq; 47 USC 251(e)

Legal Deadline: None

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/05/1995	60 FR 57157
Second R&O	04/25/1997	62 FR 20126
Third R&O	10/09/1997	62 FR 55179
Fourth R&O and MO&O	03/30/1998	63 FR 16440
Fifth R&O	07/05/2000	65 FR 53189

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: No

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