

**Number of Respondents:** 42,031.

**Estimated Time Per Response:** 1–5 hours.

**Frequency of Response:** On occasion and annual reporting requirements, third party disclosure requirement.

**Total Annual Burden:** 195,100 hours.

**Total Annual Cost:** N/A.

**Needs and Uses:** The Commission revised this information in response to petitions for reconsideration filed in response to the Report and Order in CC Docket No. 94–102. The Commission adopted a Memorandum Opinion and Order in the wireless Enhanced 911 (E911) rulemaking proceeding, reaffirming its commitment to the rapid implementation of technologies needed to bring emergency assistance to wireless callers throughout the United States. The limited revisions made in this decision to the Commission's rules are intended to remedy technical problems raised in the record.

**OMB Control No.:** 3060–0179.

**Title:** Section 73.1590, Equipment Performance Measurements.

**Form No.:** N/A.

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

**Respondents:** Businesses or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions.

**Number of Respondents:** 13,049.

**Estimated Time Per Response:** .5–18 hours.

**Frequency of Response:**

Recordkeeping requirement.

**Total Annual Burden:** 12,335 hours.

**Total Annual Cost:** N/A.

**Needs and Uses:** Section 73.1590 requires licensees of AM, FM and TV stations to make audio and video equipment performance measurements for each main transmitter. These measurements and a description of the equipment and procedure used in making the measurements must be kept on file at the transmitter for two years. In addition, this information must be made available to the FCC upon request. The data is used by FCC staff in field investigations to identify sources of interference.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

**Secretary.**

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**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communication Commission seeks comment on a Petition for Inquiry into Network Practices filed in behalf of Network Affiliated Stations Alliance.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before July 23, 2001; reply comments must be filed on or before August 22, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mania K. Baghdadi, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau, at 418–2120.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Public Notice ("Notice"), DA 01–1264, released May 22, 2001. The *Petition* and all subsequently filed documents are available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission's Reference Information Center located at Room CY-A257, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554 and may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service ("ITS"), 202–857–3800, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C.

**Synopsis of Public Notice**

1. On March 8, 2001, Network Affiliated Stations Alliance ("NASA") filed a Petition for Inquiry into Network Practices ("Petition"). NASA's Petition asked the FCC to institute an inquiry as to whether certain alleged practices of the top four television networks with respect to their affiliates are consistent with the Commission's network rules, CFR 73.658; the Communications Act; and the public interest. In addition, NASA asked that the Commission examine, in the inquiry, what additional steps it should take to "limit or prevent other improper network conduct not deemed to violate existing rules." In a letter, dated May 2, 2001, submitted to the Commission, counsel for NASA urged that the Commission treat its Petition as a petition for declaratory relief (Letter to Michael Powell, Chairman, from Wade H. Hargrove and Jonathan D. Blake, Counsel for the Network Affiliated Stations Alliance, May 2, 2001). In response to this letter, the four major networks raised procedural concerns about the NASA Petition and denied that they had violated the Commission's rules (Letter to Michael K. Powell, Chairman, from Maureen O'Connell, Fox Broadcasting Company; Anne Lucey, Viacom, Inc.; Diane Zipursky, National Broadcasting Company, Inc.; and Susan Fox, The Walt Disney Company, May 14, 2001. The foregoing networks have also submitted letters with respect to the ex parte status of the NASA Petition). As indicated in the Petition and subsequent letters from NASA and the top four networks, the parties disagree as to whether the Commission should take action with respect to the Petition, and, if so, as to the procedural context of any such Commission response. No decision has been reached as to this issue and none is expressed or implied by our action here.

Diane Zipursky, National Broadcasting Company, Inc.; and Susan Fox, The Walt Disney Company, May 14, 2001. The foregoing networks have also submitted letters with respect to the ex parte status of the NASA Petition). As indicated in the Petition and subsequent letters from NASA and the top four networks, the parties disagree as to whether the Commission should take action with respect to the Petition, and, if so, as to the procedural context of any such Commission response. No decision has been reached as to this issue and none is expressed or implied by our action here.

2. By this *Notice*, comment is sought on the Petition and the responses to the Petition. Interested parties may submit comments. Comments and replies should specifically reference this Notice (DA 01–1264). Commenters must file an original and four copies of all comments and reply comments with the Commission's Secretary: Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St., SW, Room TW–A325, Washington, D.C. 20554.

3. *Ex parte status:* In order to permit a full exchange of views on the multiple issues raised in the *Petition*, and given NASA's clarification that it is seeking a declaratory ruling rather than specific enforcement action, we have concluded that the public interest would be served by classifying this proceeding as permit-but-disclose under the ex parte rules. Accordingly, by this *Notice*, and pursuant to § 1.1200(a) of the Commission's rules, we announce that this proceeding will be governed by permit-but-disclose ex parte procedures that are applicable to nonrestricted proceedings under § 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

4. Permit-but-disclose ex parte procedures permit interested parties to make ex parte presentations to the Commissioners and Commission employees and require that these presentations be disclosed in the record of the relevant proceeding. Persons making a written ex parte presentation to the Commissioners or Commission employees must file the written presentation with the Commission, as set forth, no later than the next business day after the presentation. Section 1.1206(b)(1). Persons making oral ex parte presentations must file a summary of the presentation, and deliver copies to the Commissioners or Commission employees involved with the presentation no later than the next business day after the presentation. Section 1.1206(b)(2). All ex parte filings must be clearly labeled as such and must reference this *Notice*, as well as

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[DA 01–1264]

**Network Practices**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

any other applicable docket or file numbers.

5. An original and one copy of all memoranda must be filed with the Commission's Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, in accordance with § 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules. In addition, one copy of each ex parte memorandum should be delivered to each of the following locations: (1) The Commission's duplicating contractor ITS, and (2) Mania K. Baghdadi, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Room 2-C267, Washington, D.C. 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Roy J. Stewart,**  
*Chief, Mass Media Bureau.*

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## FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

### Labor-Management Cooperation Program; Proposed Policy Change

**AGENCY:** Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment on proposed policy change on allocating funds under the Labor-Management Cooperation Program.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) is publishing the Proposed Policy Change on Allocating Funds Under the Labor-Management Cooperation Program to inform the public. The program is supported by Federal funds authorized by the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978, subject to annual appropriations.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before July 16, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Send Comments to: Vella M. Traynham, Director of Arbitration Services, FMCS, 2100 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20427.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Vella M. Traynham, 202-606-8181.

### Labor-Management Cooperation Program Proposed Guideline Change

#### D. Allocations

Any funds returned to FMCS from a competitive grant can be awarded on a noncompetitive basis, provided the award is made during the period in which the grant period is effective.

#### C. Richard Barnes,

*Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Government-Owned Inventions; Availability for Licensing

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Technology Transfer Office, Department of Health and Human Services

**ACTION:** Notice.

The inventions named in this notice are owned by agencies of the United States Government and are available for licensing in the United States (U.S.) in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 207, to achieve expeditious commercialization of results of federally funded research and development. Foreign patent applications are filed on selected inventions to extend market coverage for U.S. companies and may also be available for licensing.

**ADDRESSES:** Licensing information, and copies of the U.S. patent applications listed below, may be obtained by writing to Thomas E. O'Toole, M.P.H., Deputy Director, Technology Transfer Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Mailstop E-67, 1600 Clifton Rd., Atlanta, GA 30333, telephone (404) 639-6270; facsimile (404) 639-6266; or email [tto@cdc.gov](mailto:tto@cdc.gov). A signed Confidential Disclosure Agreement will be required to receive copies of unpublished patent applications.

#### Gripping Assembly for Impact Hammer

The Gripping Assembly for an Impact Hammer easily attaches to an existing hydraulic impact hammer and performs three functions: First, the assembly allows an impact hammer operator to manipulate and hold objects that are to be broken with the hammer. Second, the assembly allows the operator to grasp and move objects (such as the debris that may clog a grizzly in an underground mine). Finally, an operator can use the assembly to "sweep" debris from the work area (such as the fines that may accumulate and clog a grizzly in an underground mine).

**Inventors:** Bill M. Stewart et al., U.S.

Patent Application SN: To be assigned, filed 4.16.2001 (CDC Ref. #: I-029-00)

#### Method and Apparatus for Laser Safety in Hazardous Locations

Laser-based technology is used in several diverse industries to monitor flammable material processes. This invention monitors temperatures within

these processes when heated by a laser and compares these temperatures with a preset temperature threshold. If the temperature threshold is exceeded, the invention shuts down the laser, thus preventing ignition of flammable material.

**Inventors:** William D. Monaghan, et al.,  
U.S. Patent Application SN: To be assigned, filed 2.9.2001 (CDC Ref. #: I-030-00)

#### Lighted Rescue Team Lifeline

The Lighted Rescue Team Lifeline is a flexible illuminated safety line used to keep rescue and exploration team members together in low-light areas. The lighted lifeline helps to prevent tripping and falling problems, and it eases the task of locating the lifeline if it becomes entangled around obstacles.

**Inventors:** Ronald S. Conti et al., U.S.  
Patent Application SN: To be assigned, filed 3.7.2001, (CDC Ref. #: I-034-00)

#### A 12-volt Battery Charging Apparatus Using Mine Shaft Guide Roller Wheels

Elevators and mine shaft conveyances often require local instrumentation to monitor conveyance speed, location, cable tension, etc. Power for these instruments is generally provided through a trailing cable. In deep mines, or high buildings, trailing cables can be impractical for many reasons. This invention describes a self-contained unit that contains a battery used to power the local instrumentation, and a charging system that uses the motion of the elevator or shaft conveyance to charge the battery.

**Inventors:** Michael J. Beus et al., U.S.  
Patent Application SN: Application yet to be filed (CDC Ref. #: I-038-00)

Dated: June 6, 2001.

#### Kathleen M. Rest,

*Acting Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Administration for Children and Families

#### Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation; Grant to the University of Hawaii

**AGENCY:** Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, ACF, DHHS.

**ACTION:** Award announcement.