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Unified Agenda of Federal Regulations; April 1995

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Publication of the Unified Agenda of Federal Regulations.

SUMMARY: Twice a year, the Commission publishes 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. The Agenda also provides the CFR citations and legal authorities which govern these proceedings. The Regulatory Flexibility Act (94 Stat. 1167; 5 U.S.C. 605) includes notations on the applicability of the Regulatory Flexibility Act to each item. The Unified Agenda will be published in the **Federal Register** in April and October of each year.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20554.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Unified Agenda of Major and Other Significant Proceedings

The Commission encourages public participation in the FCC rulemaking process. To help keep the public informed of significant rulemaking proceedings, the Commission has prepared an agenda of important proceedings now in progress. OMB will publish the Unified Agenda in the **Federal Register** in April and October of each year.

The following terms may be helpful in understanding the status of the proceedings included in this report:

Docket Number - assigned to a proceeding if the Commission has issued either a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking or a Notice of Inquiry concerning the matter under consideration. The Commission has used docket numbers since January 1, 1978. Docket numbers consist of the last two digits of the calendar year in which the docket was established, plus a sequential number, which begins at 1 with the first docket initiated during a calendar year (e.g., Docket 80-1 or Docket 83-1). The abbreviation for the responsible Bureau usually precedes the docket number, as in "MM Docket 79-164," which indicates that the responsible Bureau is the Mass Media Bureau. A docket number consisting of only five digits (e.g., Docket 29622) indicates that the docket was established before January 1, 1978.

Notice of Inquiry (NOI) - issued by the Commission when it is seeking

information on a broad subject or trying to generate ideas on a given topic. A comment period is specified during which all interested parties may submit comments.

Further Notice of Inquiry (FNOI)

Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) - issued by the Commission when it is proposing a specific change to the FCC Rules and Regulations. Before any changes are actually made, interested parties may submit written comments on the proposals.

Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM)

Memorandum Opinion and Order (MO&O) - issued by the Commission to deny a petition for rulemaking, conclude an inquiry, modify a decision, or deny a petition for reconsideration of a decision.

Rulemaking (RM) Number - assigned to a proceeding after the appropriate Bureau/Office has reviewed a petition for rulemaking but before the Commission has taken action on the petition.

Report and Order (R&O) - issued by the Commission to state a new or amended rule or state that the FCC Rules will not be changed.

William F. Caton,
Acting Secretary,
Federal Communications Commission.

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4715	Millimeter Wave Technology	3060-AF61
4716	Digital Equipment Deregulation	3060-AF73
4717	MSS Spectrum Allocation	3060-AF75

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4719	Digital Audio Broadcasting	3060-AE81
4720	Streamline of Equipment Authorization Process	3060-AF29
4721	RF Exposure Standard	3060-AF32
4722	Cable System Compatibility With TV Receivers and VCRs	3060-AF38

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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
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4742	Transfer of Control of Non-Stock Entities	3060-AE31
4743	Broadcast Station Operator Requirements	3060-AF63

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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4749	Frequency Coordination-Alternatives and Options to the Present Frequency Coordination System	3060-AE60
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4753	Implementation of Sections 3(n) and 332 of the Communications Act - Regulatory Treatment of Mobile Services	3060-AF49
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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU—Completed/Longterm Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4756	Revision of Part 22 of the Commission's Rules Governing the Public Mobile Services	3060-AF28
4757	Revision of Part 22 of the Commission's Rules Pertaining to Power Limits for Paging Stations in the 931 MHz Band in the Public Land Mobile Service	3060-AF46
4758	Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act—Competitive Bidding	3060-AF55

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CABLE SERVICES BUREAU

4696. CABLE ACT: COST OF SERVICE

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 623; 47 USC 543

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: In this NPRM we propose regulatory requirements to govern cost-of-service showings submitted by cable operators seeking to justify rates above levels determined under our primary method of regulating rates using benchmarks and price caps.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/30/93	58 FR 40762
R&O	04/15/94	59 FR 17975
2nd NPRM	04/15/94	59 FR 18066
MO&O	10/14/94	59 FR 52087
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Paul D'Ari, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 202 416-1166

RIN: 3060-AF48

4697. • CUSTOMER SERVICE STANDARDS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i) to 154(j); 47 USC 303; 47 USC 552

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: NPRM, Statutory, April 3, 1993.

Abstract: The Commission has adopted customer service standards for cable operators nationwide to implement the provisions of the Cable Act of 1992. Such standards shall provide, at a minimum, cable systems office hours,

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telephone availability, installations, outages, service calls, and communication between the cable operator and subscriber, including billing and refunds.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/23/92	57 FR 61038
R&O	04/19/93	53 FR 21107
Reconsideration	07/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Thomas Power, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20554, **202 416-0877**

RIN: 3060-AF69

4698. • SMALL SYSTEMS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 543; 47 USC 632(a)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has adopted rate regulations to implement section 623 of the Cable Act of 1992 to ensure that cable subscribers nationwide enjoy the rates that would be charged by cable systems operating in a competitive environment. Additionally, the Commission is required to develop and prescribe cable regulations that reduce the administrative burdens and cost of compliance for small cable systems.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
R&O	05/21/93	58 FR 29736
FNPRM	08/18/93	58 FR 43853

Action	Date	FR Cite
MO&O	08/18/93	58 FR 43853
2nd Order on Recon/4th R&O	04/15/94	59 FR 17943
5th Order on Recon/FNPRM	10/13/94	59 FR 59519
4th Order on Reconsideration	10/21/94	59 FR 53113
5th R&O/6th Order on Recon/7th NPRM	12/06/94	59 FR 62614
7th Order on Reconsideration	01/25/95	60 FR 4863
Small Systems Definition Proceeding	05/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Thomas Power, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, **202 416-0877**

RIN: 3060-AF71

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CABLE SERVICES BUREAU

4699. CABLE ACT: MUST CARRY/RETRANSMISSION CONSENT

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 533; 47 USC 531; 47 USC 325

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has adopted must-carry and retransmission consent rules to implement the provisions of the Cable Act of 1992. Reconsideration requested.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/05/92	57 FR 56298
R&O	03/11/93	58 FR 17350
MO&O	11/04/94	59 FR 62330

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Elizabeth Beaty, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, **202 416-0800**

RIN: 3060-AF39

4700. CABLE ACT: RATE REGULATION

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 532; 47 USC 543

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: None

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

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/04/93	58 FR 48
First R&O	05/21/93	58 FR 29736
MO&O	08/18/93	58 FR 43816
First Order on Reconsideration	09/02/93	58 FR 46718
Third FNPRM	09/02/93	58 FR 46737
2nd MO&O	09/02/93	58 FR 46718

Action	Date	FR Cite
Third R&O	11/30/93	58 FR 63087
Fifth NPRM	04/15/94	59 FR 18064
Fourth R&O	04/15/94	59 FR 17943
Second Order on Reconsideration	04/15/94	59 FR 17943
Third Order on Reconsideration	04/15/94	59 FR 17961
Fifth Order on Recon/FNPRM	10/13/94	59 FR 51934
Fourth Order on Reconsideration	10/21/94	59 FR 53113
5th R&O/6th Order on Recon/7th NPRM	12/06/94	59 FR 62614

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Local

Agency Contact: Paul D'Ari, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, **202 416-1166**

RIN: 3060-AF41

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**4701. TRANSPORT RATE STRUCTURE
AND PRICING**
Priority: Agency Priority**Legal Authority:** 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154 (i); 47 USC 154 (j); 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 203; 47 USC 204; 47 USC 205; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 220; 47 USC 403**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 61; 47 CFR 69**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Commission adopted interim transport rate structure and pricing rules for two years beginning on or about December 1, 1993. The Commission initiated a Second Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on long-term rate structure and pricing rules in the context of increasing competition for access services.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/22/91	56 FR 57301
NPRM Comment Period End	01/22/92	
FNPRM	11/17/92	57 FR 54205
R&O	11/20/92	57 FR 54717
First MO&O on Recon. of R&O	08/03/93	58 FR 41184
Second MO&O on Reconsideration	08/18/93	58 FR 45266
Second R&O	01/31/94	59 FR 10300
Supp. NPRM	12/15/94	60 FR 2068
Third MO&O on Recon	12/15/94	60 FR 4107

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** Federal**Agency Contact:** Matt Harthun, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, Room 544, 202 418-1590**RIN:** 3060-AF06
**4702. RULES AND POLICIES
REGARDING CALLING NUMBER
IDENTIFICATION SERVICES (CC
DOCKET 91-281)**
Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(f); 47 USC 201**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 64.1600 to 64.1604**Legal Deadline:** Final, Judicial, April 12, 1995.

The R&O set an effective date of 4/12/95 for carriers to pass CPN and provide per call blocking.

Abstract: The Report and Order and Further Notice found that a federal

model for interstate delivery of calling party number is in the public interest, that the model must protect calling party privacy, and that certain state regulations of interstate caller ID must be preempted. The Report and Order adopts rules that: ensure the interstate delivery of calling party number between carriers; ensure that callers can activate a per-call privacy mechanism (by dialing *67) to block display of their numbers to called parties; establish that the cost of interstate transmission of calling party number delivery is de minimus; require subscriber education about the availability of identification services and how to invoke the privacy protection mechanism; and restrict the reuse or sale of telephone numbers by subscribers to ANI or charge number services. In a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, the Commission seeks comment on whether it should impose more detailed subscriber education requirements on common carriers participating in the offering of calling party number-based services, and ANI or charge number services. (cont)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/26/91	56 FR 57300
FNPRM	04/18/94	59 FR 18349
R&O	04/18/94	59 FR 18318

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined**Additional Information:** The title of this item was revised when the status was changed from RM 7397 to CC Docket 91-281. The RM was a public notice calling for comments and, upon receipt of comments and replies, was terminated in favor of the NPRM under CC Docket 91-281.

ABSTRACT CONT: The Further Notice also seeks comment on whether the policies adopted in the Report and Order should extend to other calling party identification services (e.g., calling name delivery). 53 Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification have been filed. Parties have asked the Commission to reconsider decisions regarding cost, dual blocking systems, blocking to emergency service lines and poison control lines and blocking from payphones, multiparty lines and PBX/Centrex.

Agency Contact: Marian Gordon, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 2025 M Street NW., Washington, DC 20554, 202 634-4215**RIN:** 3060-AF07
**4703. IN THE MATTER OF
INTELLIGENT NETWORKS**
Priority: Agency Priority**Legal Authority:** 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 203; 47 USC 204; 47 USC 205; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 403**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 64**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** Commission opens public debate on the Interrelationship of Open Network Architecture (ONA) with Emerging Network Design. Commission seeks comment on ways to encourage development of future Local Exchange Networks that are as open, responsive, and procompetitive as possible consistent with other public interest goals such as ensuring network reliability.**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	11/21/91	56 FR 65721
NPRM	08/03/93	58 FR 48623

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Matt Harthun, Attorney-Advisor, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-1590**RIN:** 3060-AF08
**4704. ADMINISTRATION OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING
PLAN**
Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 403**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 151; 47 CFR 154; 47 CFR 201 to 205; 47 CFR 403**Legal Deadline:** None**Abstract:** The Commission released a Notice of Inquiry on the Administration of the North American Numbering Plan on October 29, 1992, which sought information on several long range issues related to the Plan. The NPRM was released April 4, 1994, and pertained to who should administer the Plan and how it should be administered. The NPRM also

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addressed the issues or carrier identification codes and the planned expansion of Feature Group D codes to four digits. The Report and Order will address adoption of those issues.

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3060-AF50

4705. IN THE MATTER OF BILLED PARTY PREFERENCE FOR 0+ INTERLATA CALLS

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201 to 205

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 61; 47 CFR 64; 47 CFR 69

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: This further NPRM seeks further comment on whether the Commission should mandate a system of "billed party preference (BPP)," whereby 0+ interLATA calls--that is, calls made by entering a "0" followed by a long distance number--would be routed automatically to the operator services provider preferred by the party to be billed for the call. While comments submitted in response to the initial NPRM on this topic led the Commission to find that the benefits of BPP--in the form of more competitive service of consumers by operator service providers--outweighed its costs, the Commission also found that some of the data underlying its cost/benefit analysis were not as precise or as current as it desired. Therefore, the Commission seeks additional updated

data and further comment on its analysis, as well as on a number of aspects of how BPP might be implemented.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/08/92	57 FR 24574
NPRM Comment Period End	08/27/92	
Further NPRM	06/06/94	59 FR 30754
Further NPRM Comment Period End	09/14/94	
R&O	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Mark Nadel, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-1594

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4706. TELEPHONE COMPANY/CABLE TELEVISION CROSS-OWNERSHIP RULES SECTIONS 63.54-63.56

Priority: Regulatory Plan

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 203; 47 USC 204; 47 USC 205; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 220; 47 USC 214; 47 USC 521; 47 USC 533; 47 USC 522

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 63.54; 47 CFR 63.55; 47 CFR 63.56; 47 CFR 63.57; 47 CFR 63.58

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: In this stage of the proceeding, the Commission issued a Second Report and Order that modifies FCC rules and regulatory policy to enable local telephone companies to participate in the video marketplace through video dialtone. The FCC decided that local telephone companies may make available to multiple service providers, on a nondiscriminatory common carrier basis, a basic platform that will deliver video programming and other services to end users. Such a policy will advance the FCC's goals of creating an advanced infrastructure, increasing competition in the video marketplace and enhancing the diversity of video services to the American public. The FCC also issued

a Recommendation to Congress recommending that the statutory telephone company-cable television cross-ownership restriction be repealed. Further, the Commission solicited comments in a Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the issue of whether the rural exemption to the telephone company-cable television cross-ownership restrictions should be raised to 10,000 persons. On reconsideration, the FCC substantially affirmed its second Report & Order, while making some modifications and clarifications. The FCC also issued a Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, seeking comment on issues related to telephone company acquisition of cable facilities in its service area, mechanisms for ensuring nondiscriminatory access to analog channel capacity, preferential access and pole attachments and conduit rights. The FCC also issued a Fourth Further Notice, addressing the terms and conditions that would apply to telephone companies providing video programming directly to subscribers over video dialtone platforms. As of 2/6/95, the Commission has approved nine applications for video dialtone trials and six applications for commercial video dialtone service.

Statement of Need: The Commission will consider comments in response to its Third & Fourth Further Notices of Proposed Rulemaking addressing various issues related to its video dialtone framework. This framework established the terms and conditions by which companies may, consistent with statutory requirements, offer video services in their telephone service areas. The Commission's rules in this area are designed to promote investment in our national telecommunications infrastructure, increase competition in the provision of video services, and foster diverse sources of video programming. In furtherance of its video dialtone policy goals, the Commission is also currently considering applications from local telephone companies to offer video dialtone facilities and service to the public, on both a trial and permanent commercial basis.

Alternatives: Prior to the Commission video dialtone order, telephone company participation in the video marketplace was limited to providing channel service for cable operators--that is, transmitting video signals to subscribers' homes for the cable operator. Telephone companies could

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not compete with cable operators in the telephone company service area.

Anticipated Costs and Benefits: Video dialtone will benefit consumers, video programmers, telephone companies, and other service providers by fostering innovation in services, competition in the video marketplace, improved service quality, increased network usage and lower cost telecommunications services and products. Video dialtone should benefit the Nation as a whole by fostering the rapid development of advanced telecommunications facilities, the provision of innovative new services, and increased competition in the telecommunications marketplace.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	09/15/87	52 FR 34818
FNOI/NPRM	09/29/88	53 FR 38042
First R&O	12/17/91	56 FR 65445
FNPRM/SFNOI	12/17/91	56 FR 65464
Recommendations to Congress	08/14/92	
Reconsideration of First R&O	09/09/92	57 FR 41109
Second R&O	09/09/92	57 FR 41106
SFNPRM	09/09/92	57 FR 41118
Recon of 2nd R&O	12/12/94	59 FR 63909
Third R&O	12/12/94	59 FR 63971
Fourth FNPRM	01/20/95	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: For additional information on the Regulatory Plan, contact Carol Matteg, Federal Communications Commission, Common Carrier Bureau, 1919 M Street, Room 544, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-1583.

Agency Contact: Adam Kupetsky, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-1578

RIN: 3060-AE40

4707. EXPANDED INTERCONNECTION WITH LOCAL TELEPHONE COMPANY FACILITIES

Priority: Regulatory Plan

Legal Authority: 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 203; 47 USC 204; 47 USC 205; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 220; 47 USC 404

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 69; 47 CFR 61; 47 CFR 64

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission adopted rules for expanded interconnection with local telephone company facilities for interstate special access and switched transport, authorized new pricing flexibility for LECs, and has sought comment on hand-off of switching information necessary to permit competition for the provision of tandem switching associated with switched transport.

Statement of Need: On July 14, 1994, the Commission adopted a Memorandum Opinion and Order in which it reaffirmed its commitment to its expanded interconnection policy. The Commission acted in response to the June 10, 1994, decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit in *Bell Atlantic Telephone Companies v. FCC*. In that case, the court said it would vacate in part, and otherwise remand, the first two of the Commission's expanded interconnection orders, on the grounds that the agency lacked authority to require the telephone companies to provide expanded interconnection for special access through physical collocation.

In the July 14 order, the Commission directed the local telephone companies to provide expanded interconnection through virtual collocation. The FCC exempted telephone companies from the mandatory virtual collocation requirement at central offices in which they choose to offer physical collocation subject to nonstreamlined regulation by the Commission as a communications common carrier service. The carriers are required to file virtual collocation tariffs on September 1, 1994, scheduled to become effective on December 15, 1994. The Commission's staff will review these tariffs once they are filed. Interested parties may, under the Commission's rules, file petitions to reject, or to suspend and investigate the tariffs. The Commission staff will review those petitions and determine whether rejection or investigation of the tariffs is warranted.

Alternatives: By acting expeditiously before the court issues its mandate, the FCC sought to avoid the disruption to competition that might result if its expanded interconnection policy lapsed. The Commission's quick response to the court's decision will give affected parties clear guidance on their rights and obligations and

preserve the public interest benefits of expanded interconnection.

Anticipated Costs and Benefits: The increased competition generated by expanded interconnection should lead to lower access charges, which in turn will make it possible for long-distance companies to offer service at lower rates. Competition also creates incentives for telephone companies and their competitors to invest advanced telecommunications technologies, develop innovative services, give users a greater range of choices in telecommunications services, and provide existing services more efficiently.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM & NOI	07/26/91	56 FR 34159
ANPRM	09/20/91	56 FR 44053
ANPRM Comment Period End	11/06/91	56 FR 34159
R&O and NPRM	11/18/92	57 FR 54323
2nd NPRM	12/01/92	57 FR 56888
MO&O	12/31/92	57 FR 62481
NPRM Comment Period End	03/09/93	57 FR 58767
2nd MO&O	09/17/93	58 FR 48752
2nd MO&O and 3rd NPRM	09/17/93	58 FR 48756
3rd R&O	06/27/94	59 FR 32925
MO&O	08/01/94	59 FR 38922
Carriers required to file collocation tariffs on	09/01/94	
Effective Date	12/15/94	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: For additional information on the Regulatory Plan, contact David Sieradzki, Federal Communications Commission, Common Carrier Bureau, 1919 M Street, Room 544, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-1576.

Agency Contact: James Schlichting, Division Chief, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-1580

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4708. REFORM OF THE INTERSTATE RATE OF RETURN REPRESRIPTION AND ENFORCEMENT PROCESSES

Legal Authority: 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 204; 47 USC 205; 47 USC 218; 47 USC 403; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 219; 47 USC 220

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 65; 47 CFR 69

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Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission will consider revising the rate of return prescription and enforcement procedures and methodologies set forth in Part 65 of its Rules, 47 CFR 65. During the rulemaking, the Commission will address alternatives for streamlining the prescription and enforcement processes. The Commission will also address the potential costs and benefits of reducing the information that reregulates must submit as well as the extent to which less burdensome procedures can be reconciled with statutory requirements. Quantitative estimates are not possible at this time. The Commission will also consider amending Part 69 of the Rules to permit the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. to collect and file with the Commission information needed for the prescription process.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/14/92	57 FR 31994
NPRM Comment	10/13/92	
Period End		
Next Action	Undetermined	

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined**Agency Contact:** William A. Kehoe III, Branch Chief, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 L Street NW., Room 257, **202 418-0850****RIN:** 3060-AF12**4709. THE USE OF N11 CODES AND OTHER ABBREVIATED DIALING ARRANGEMENTS****Legal Authority:** 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 201 to 205; 47 USC 403**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 1.415; 47 CFR 1.419**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the use of N11 Codes and other abbreviated dialing arrangements on May 6, 1992, which sought comments on changing rules to require local exchange carriers to provide abbreviated dialing arrangements. A follow-up Public Notice was released June 17, 1994, seeking a final round of comments on competing uses for N11 codes. The Report and Order will address adoption of rules and the possible assignment of abbreviated codes for Federal Executive agencies, state governmental agencies, and the hearing impaired.

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined**Small Entities Affected:** None**Government Levels Affected:** None**Agency Contact:** Peyton Wynns, Chief, Industry Analysis Division, Federal Communications Commission, 1250 23rd St NW., Mail Stop Code 1600 F, Washington, DC 20554, **202 632-0745****RIN:** 3060-AF51**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) COMPLIANCE AND INFORMATION BUREAU**

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4710. IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT OF PART 73, SUBPART G, OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES REGARDING THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM**Priority:** Agency Priority**Legal Authority:** 47 USC 151; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 11**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The commission has adopted new rules that replace the old Emergency Broadcast System (EBS) with a new Emergency Alert System (EAS) to alert the public in emergencies. The Report and Order adopted requires broadcast stations and many cable TV systems to participate, and streamlines operational procedures for system participants. It also removes the old part of the Commission's rules concerning EBS in its entirety and incorporates the new rules into a new part of the FCC's CFR. The purpose of the new rules is to prescribe how communications services such as broadcasting, cable and other public service providers will function under the technical standards and operational procedures of the new system.

Reconsideration has been requested. Additionally, with the Report and Order, the Commission issued a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comments regarding whether the Multipoint Distribution Service (MDS), Satellite Master Antenna TV (SMATV) system and Video Dial Tone should also be required to participate in EAS. It also sought comments on several cable issues such as whether a defined class of small cable systems should be exempted from participation in EAS, and how the Commission should define small cable systems.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/09/91	
NPRM/FNPRM	09/17/92	57 FR 53874
FNPRM	12/28/94	59 FR 67104
R&O	12/28/94	59 FR 67090
Next Action	Undetermined	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses**Government Levels Affected:** State, Local, Federal**Agency Contact:** Frank Lucia, Acting Chief, Emergency Alert System Staff, Compliance and Information Bureau,Federal Communications Commission, Room 720, **202 418-1220****RIN:** 3060-AF21**4711. • IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S FORFEITURE POLICY STATEMENT AND AMENDMENT OF SECTION 1.80 OF THE RULES TO INCORPORATE THE FORFEITURE GUIDELINES****Legal Authority:** 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 503**CFR Citation:** 47 CFR 1**Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The FCC proposes to amend its regulations regarding forfeitures by adding a note incorporating guidelines for assessing monetary forfeitures for Communications Act and Rules violations. Comments are requested on all aspects of the proposal, including the advantages and disadvantages of adopting forfeiture guidelines instead of proceeding on a traditional case-by-case basis, whether licensees are benefited or disadvantaged by the guidelines system, whether the base forfeiture amounts in the guidelines are set at

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appropriate levels, and on other relevant matters.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/23/95	60 FR 10056
NPRM Comment Period End	03/17/95	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions, Organizations

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Magalie Salas, Acting Chief, Enforcement Division, Compliance and Enforcement Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, **202 418-1155**

RIN: 3060-AF65

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4712. STANDARDS FOR ISM EQUIPMENT

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 18

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Solicitation of public comments in determining appropriate revisions of the current FCC rules for Part 18 devices in order to conform

with recently adopted international standards.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	11/06/91	56 FR 58863
Item Postponed	07/15/92	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: Item postponed due to delay in international standards activities; NOI record inconclusive. 91-313

Agency Contact: Rick Engelman, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1626**

RIN: 3060-AE97

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4713. PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of the Commission's rules to establish new personal communications services.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	06/28/90	
Policy Statement	10/25/91	56 FR 56937
NPRM	08/14/92	57 FR 40672
Tentative Decision	11/06/92	57 FR 57958
R&O	10/22/93	58 FR 59174
Third R&O	02/28/94	59 FR 9419
MO&O	06/13/94	59 FR 32830
MO&O	12/02/94	59 FR 66254
Order	06/00/95	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: 90-314 RM 7140, RM 7175, RM 7618

Agency Contact: Fred Thomas, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1619**

RIN: 3060-AE65

4714. WIND PROFILER RADAR SYSTEMS

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of section 2.106 of the Commission's Rules to allocate spectrum for Wind Profiler Systems. Allocation of this spectrum for wind profilers will facilitate the automated collection of weather information, including data on severe storms that threaten life or property that is not obtainable in any other manner.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/01/93	58 FR 19644
NPRM/R&O	07/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Additional Information: ET 93-59

Agency Contact: Sean White, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1624**

RIN: 3060-AF45

4715. MILLIMETER WAVE TECHNOLOGY

Legal Authority: 47 USC 4; 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 317; 47 USC 154

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 15; 47 CFR 21; 47 CFR 74; 47 CFR 78; 47 CFR 94

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of the Commission's rules to permit use of radio frequencies above 40 GHz.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/08/94	59 FR 61304
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

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Government Levels Affected:
Undetermined

Additional Information: 94-124

Agency Contact: Rick Engelman,
Federal Communications Commission,
202 776-1628

RIN: 3060-AF61

IBM/CBEMA CPU boards, Gen. Doc. 90-413.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/07/95	60 FR 15116
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: John Reed, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1627**

RIN: 3060-AF73

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of Pt. 2.106 of the Commission's Rules to allocate spectrum at 2 GHz for use by the Mobile Satellite Service.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/31/95	60 FR 11644
R&O	10/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: 95-18

Agency Contact: Sean White, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1624**

RIN: 3060-AF75

4716. • DIGITAL EQUIPMENT DEREGULATION

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Action to explore possibility of more efficient and flexible approach to authorization of certain digital equipment. (Item will incorporate

4717. • MSS SPECTRUM ALLOCATION

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 304

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4718. DIGITAL LMSS IN L-BAND SPECTRUM

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of the Commission's rules to allocate spectrum for Mobile Satellite Services in the 1530-1544 MHz and 1626.5-1645.5 MHz bands.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/05/90	55 FR 08964
First R&O/FNPRM	06/11/93	58 FR 34920
R&O	06/00/95	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected:
Undetermined

Additional Information: RM 6459, 90-56

Agency Contact: Tom Mooring,
Federal Communications Commission,
202 776-1620

RIN: 3060-AE68

4719. DIGITAL AUDIO BROADCASTING

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 301; 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 304; 47 USC 307

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of the Commission's rules with regard to the establishment and regulation of new digital audio radio services.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	08/21/90	55 FR 34940
FNOI/NPRM	11/06/92	57 FR 57049
FNPRM/R&O	01/18/95	60 FR 8309
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected:
Undetermined

Additional Information: 90-357, RM 7400

Agency Contact: Lynn Remly, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1623**

RIN: 3060-AE81

4720. STREAMLINE OF EQUIPMENT AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 154 (i)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Revision of part 2 of the rules relating to the marketing and authorization of radiofrequency devices.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/09/94	59 FR 31966
R&O	01/00/96	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected:
Undetermined

Additional Information: 94-45

Agency Contact: Rick Engelman,
Federal Communications Commission,
202 776-1626

RIN: 3060-AF29

4721. RF EXPOSURE STANDARD

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1

Legal Deadline: None

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Abstract: Guidelines for evaluating the environmental effect of radiofrequency radiation.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/08/93	58 FR 19393
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Local

Additional Information: ET 93-62

Agency Contact: Robert Cleveland, Federal Communications Commission, 202 739-0716

RIN: 3060-AF32

4722. CABLE SYSTEM COMPATIBILITY WITH TV RECEIVERS AND VCRS

Legal Authority: 47 USC 624

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 76

Legal Deadline: Other, Statutory, October 4, 1993.

In accordance with the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, Section 17, a report to Congress is mandated by October 1993.

Abstract: Implementation of section 17 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992; compatibility between Cable Systems and consumer electronic equipment.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	01/29/93	58 FR 7205
Technical Report	10/31/93	
NPRM	12/01/93	58 FR 65153

Action	Date	FR Cite
R&O	05/04/94	59 FR 25339
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: 93-7

Agency Contact: Alan Stillwell, Federal Communications Commission, 202 739-0700

RIN: 3060-AF38

4723. PIONEER'S PREFERENCE RULES

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1

Legal Deadline: NPRM, Statutory, June 8, 1995.

Statutory deadline for PP rules after 09/01/94; six months after enactment of GATT

Abstract: FCC initiated review of pioneer's preference rules to access the effect of authority to assign licenses by competitive bidding recently enacted by Congress. FNPRM proposes revisions to PP rules in response to GATT legislation.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/21/93	58 FR 57578
First R&O	01/28/94	59 FR 8413
Second R&O/FNPRM	03/01/95	60 FR 13396
R&O	08/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: 93-266

Agency Contact: Rodney Small, Federal Communications Commission, 202 776-1622

RIN: 3060-AF53

4724. NARROWBAND (900 MHZ) PCS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Amendment of Commission's Rules to establish new narrowband PCS in the 930-931 MHz band.

(Item incorporated into Docket No. 90-314, which is listed under a separate PCS entry.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/14/92	57 FR 40672
First R&O	07/23/93	58 FR 42681
MO&O	03/09/94	59 FR 14115
MO&O	10/31/94	59 FR 55209
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: 92-100, FM 7617, FM 7760, RM 7782, RM 7860, RM 7977, RM 7978, RM 7979, RM 7980.

Agency Contact: Thomas Mooring, Federal Communications Commission, 202 776-1620

RIN: 3060-AF54

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4725. AUTHORIZATION OF PLUG-IN CPU CARDS

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn - Merged with Deregulation of Digital Equipment	02/02/95	

Small Entities Affected: None

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: John Reed, 202 776-1627

RIN: 3060-AE80

4726. LOW EARTH-ORBITING SATELLITES

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 25

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
MO&O	03/30/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Agency Contact: Ray LaForge, 202 739-0598

RIN: 3060-AE82

4727. GENERAL SATELLITE SERVICE

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 25

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Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	09/09/94	59 FR 40474

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: None
Agency Contact: Ray LaForge, 202 739-0958
RIN: 3060-AE96

4728. LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 15

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Withdrawn - Merged with Deregulation of Digital Equipment	02/01/95	

Small Entities Affected: None
Government Levels Affected: None
Agency Contact: Art Wall, 301 725-1585
RIN: 3060-AF00

4729. LOW-EARTH ORBITING SATELLITES (ABOVE 1 GHZ)

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
MO&O	03/20/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Federal
Agency Contact: Ray LaForge, 202 739-0598
RIN: 3060-AF16

4730. EMERGING TECHNOLOGY BANDS

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	01/20/95	59 FR 65501

Small Entities Affected: None
Government Levels Affected: None
Agency Contact: Fred Thomas, 202 739-1619
RIN: 3060-AF18

4731. MRI EXEMPTION

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 18

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	09/03/94	59 FR 39471

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: None
Agency Contact: Rick Engelman, 202 776-1626
RIN: 3060-AF30

4732. AMATEUR ALLOCATION AT 219 MHZ

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
R&O	03/17/95	60 FR 15686

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
Agency Contact: Thomas Derenge, 202 776-1621
RIN: 3060-AF31

4733. SCANNERS CAPABLE OF RECEIVING CELLULAR FREQUENCIES

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2; 47 CFR 15

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	08/22/94	59 FR 37439

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: None
Agency Contact: Rick Engelman, 202 776-1626
RIN: 3060-AF36

4734. CORDLESS TELEPHONE FREQUENCIES

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 15

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
R&O	04/10/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: Undetermined
Agency Contact: Rick Engelman, 202 776-1626
RIN: 3060-AF43

4735. TRANSFER OF 50 MHZ FROM GOVERNMENT USE

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 2

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
R&O	02/17/95	60 FR 13102

Small Entities Affected: Businesses
Government Levels Affected: State, Local, Tribal
Agency Contact: Steve Sharkey, 202 739-0723
RIN: 3060-AF62

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) INTERNATIONAL BUREAU**Final Rule Stage****4736. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS**

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 303; 47 USC 553

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission seeks to develop a record and to solicit comments on the proposed rules. These proposed rules are designed to implement recommendations made by the joint industry/government Advisory Committee on 2 degree satellite spacing; and they will codify basic

applications requirements for satellite services. The proposed rules would apply to all entities including small entities who seek authorization under Part 25 of the Commission's rules to construct and operate Fixed-Satellite communications facilities. The proposed rules would establish

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operational and technical procedures designed to alleviate adjacent satellite interference and may increase the reporting and cost burdens on all satellite licensees. The rules codifying basic application requirements are codifications of existing policies, will impose no additional burdens, and may, in fact, reduce the burden by eliminating several current requirements. In order to be effective, these rules must apply to all licensees and thus there is no significant alternative.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	09/01/87	52 FR 6175
ANPRM Comment Period End	11/01/87	52 FR 6175
R&O	05/26/91	56 FR 24014
Second R&O & FNPRM	01/14/93	58 FR 13417

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: State, Local, Federal

Agency Contact: Paula Ford, Staff Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 M Street, NW., Room 500, Washington, DC 20554, **202 739-0735**

RIN: 3060-AD70

4737. DEREGULATION OF INTERNATIONAL RECEIVE-ONLY EARTH STATIONS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 721; 47 USC 303(r)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has proposed eliminating the licensing requirement for most international receive-only earth stations in the Fixed Satellite Service. Earth Stations excluded from this proposal are those operating as satellite terminal stations (i.e., those operationally connected to a domestic common carrier and used to exchange the carrier's common carrier traffic with the Intelsat Satellite System). The Commission proposed instituting a voluntary registration program for international receive-only earth stations seeking interference protection.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/08/93	58 FR 13433
NPRM Comment Period End	05/27/93	58 FR 13433

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Agency Contact: Paula Ford, Chief, Satellite Policy Branch, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 M Street, NW Room 518, Washington, DC 20554, **202 739-0739**

RIN: 3060-AF33

4738. SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 25; 47 CFR 93; 47 CFR 2

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission seeks to adopt rules governing the establishment of a voice and data mobile satellite service (MSS) in the 1610-1626.5/2483.5-2500 MHz frequency bands. Six system applications are pending. In a negotiated rulemaking conducted in early 1993, the parties could not reach a consensus regarding technical rules that would permit all six applicants to be accommodated. In this proceeding, the Commission will adopt licensing policies and procedures, and other qualification requirements. The action will permit a variety of voice and data mobile satellite services to be made available to the public.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/19/94	
NPRM Comment Period End	06/06/94	
Final Action	10/14/94	59 FR 53294

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Agency Contact: Karl Kensinger, Staff Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 M Street, NW Room 500, Washington, DC 20554, **202 739-0742**

RIN: 3060-AF42

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4739. ADVANCED TELEVISION SYSTEMS

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 301; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 403

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.610; 47 CFR 73.682; 47 CFR 73.687; 47 CFR 687

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Resolved, and in some cases, reconsidered a number of outstanding issues and solicited further comment on other issues fundamental to implementation of an advanced television service in the United States.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Tentative Decision/FNOI	09/01/88	53 FR 38747
R&O	08/24/90	55 FR 39275
FNPRM	10/24/91	56 FR 58207
Second R&O & FNPRM	04/09/92	57 FR 21744
Third R&O & FNPRM	09/17/92	57 FR 53588

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: RM-5811 NOI

Agency Contact: Roger Holberg, Federal Communications Commission, **202 776-1648**

RIN: 3060-AE24

4740. COMPARATIVE RENEWAL CRITERIA

Legal Authority: 47 USC 311(d); 47 USC 309(e)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.3525; 47 CFR 73.3584

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: R&O will consider content-independent standard for renewal

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expectancy and other comparative criteria for use in comparative hearings for license renewal.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
FNOI/NPRM	06/23/88	53 FR 31894

Action	Date	FR Cite
Policy Statement	03/30/89	54 FR 22595
FNOI/FNPRM	08/16/90	54 FR 35357
R&O	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Organizations

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Agency Contact: David Horowitz, Federal Communications Commission, 202 776-1653

RIN: 3060-AE27

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MASS MEDIA BUREAU

4741. BROADCAST EEO: RECONSIDERATION

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73.2080

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has adopted new Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) rules and reporting requirements for broadcasters that emphasize a licensee's overall EEO efforts rather than the numerical composition of its workforce. Reconsideration requested.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/31/86	51 FR 43854
R&O	04/16/87	52 FR 26683
MO&O	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Organizations

Government Levels Affected: None

Additional Information: MMB-298 NPRM MM-85-350 FNPRM

Agency Contact: Judy Herman, Federal Communications Commission, 202 739-0770

RIN: 3060-AD73

4742. TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF NON-STOCK ENTITIES

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission will consider proposals concerning the treatment of corporations and other organizational structures that are not traditional commercial corporations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	03/16/89	54 FR 15957
Policy Statement	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Organizations

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: David Horowitz, Federal Communications Commission, 202 776-1653

RIN: 3060-AE31

4743. BROADCAST STATION OPERATOR REQUIREMENTS

Legal Authority: 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 73; 47 CFR 74

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Item proposes to update the rules to provide for unattended broadcast station operation and to clarify the technical responsibilities of broadcast licensees, particularly those operating unattended stations.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/10/94	59 FR 64378
R&O	07/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Gordon Godfrey, Federal Communications Commission, 202 776-1669

RIN: 3060-AF63

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4744. ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF REGULATORY FEES FOR FY 1995

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 159

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1.1151 et seq

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to implement section 9 of the

Communications Act, requiring the Commission to recover the costs of certain of its activities by assessing and collecting annual regulatory fees from the beneficiaries of those activities. The item addresses how the Commission plans to implement the fee requirement for FY 1995.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/12/95	60 FR 3807

Action	Date	FR Cite
R&O	05/00/95	
Final Action	08/01/95	

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Peter W. Herrick, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-0443

RIN: 3060-AF67

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU**

Prerule Stage

**4745. INTERCONNECTION
OBLIGATIONS PERTAINING TO
COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO
SERVICES**

Priority: Agency Priority

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

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The regulatory matter is a notice of inquiry into interconnection and resale obligations of commercial mobile radio service providers. The NOI is part of the NPRM pertaining to equal access obligations of CMRS providers. The NOI invites comment on whether the Commission should require CMRS providers to furnish interconnection to other mobile service providers on the nature and scope of potential interconnection obligations, and on the extent to which resale obligations should be imposed on CMRS providers. The NOI also asks what are the potential costs and benefits of any interconnection obligations raised in the notice or recommended by the commenters.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI	07/01/94	

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: State, Federal

Agency Contact: Judy Argentieri, Attorney, Policy Division, Federal Communications Commission, **202 418-1310**

RIN: 3060-AF58

**4746. REVISION OF PART 24 OF THE
COMMISSION'S RULES PERTAINING
TO PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS
SERVICE**

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303(r)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 24 (Revision)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: By this NPRM, the Commission proposes to establish final rules for the processing of applications and licensing for Personal

Communications Services (PCS). Specifically, we are proposing rules that will apply to PCS license applicants who have successfully bid for spectrum or have filed applications that are determined not to be mutually exclusive with any other application, and are therefore, not subject to competitive bidding. Within this scope, we propose rules to govern the "long-form" application process, initial licensing, construction, operation and technical requirements, unused-spectrum recovery, unserved-area licensing procedures, assignments and transfers, and license renewal procedures.

Timetable: Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Federal

Agency Contact: Steve Markendorff/Sally Novak, Chief, Broadband Commercial Radio Brand, Chief, Legal Branch, Federal Communications Commission, **202 418-1320**

RIN: 3060-AF59

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU**

Proposed Rule Stage

**4747. RULEMAKING TO AMEND PART
1 AND PART 21 TO REDESIGNATE
THE 27.5-29.5 GHZ BAND AND TO
ESTABLISH RULES AND POLICIES
FOR LOCAL MULTI-POINT
DISTRIBUTION SERVICE**

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 307; 47 USC 553

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 21

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission is considering comments filed in response to a notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding redesignation of the 28 GHz band. In order to assist itself with technical rules for sharing the band between proposed satellite and terrestrial uses, the Commission is conducting a negotiated rulemaking procedure.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	12/10/92	58 FR 6400

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM Comment	04/15/93	

Period End
Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Additional Information: RM 7872 & RM 7722.

Agency Contact: Susan Magnotti, Senior Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 2025 M Street NW., Room 6310, Washington, DC 20554, **202 634-1773**

RIN: 3060-AF26

**4748. DOMESTIC PUBLIC FIXED
RADIO SERVICES**

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 301

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 21

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission seeks to give applicants greater flexibility in scheduling construction and enable licensees to begin providing service to the public more quickly. The proposed rule may also result in reduced costs for both the licensees and the public. The rule would also help further the Commission's goal of eliminating unnecessary regulation.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/09/93	58 FR 12202

NPRM Comment
Period End

Next Action Undetermined

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Pamela Gerr, Attorney, Federal Communications Commission, 2025 M Street NW., Room 6310, Washington, DC 20554, **202 634-1798**

RIN: 3060-AF27

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU

Final Rule Stage

**4749. FREQUENCY COORDINATION-
ALTERNATIVES AND OPTIONS TO
THE PRESENT FREQUENCY
COORDINATION SYSTEM**

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154i

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Proposals or options to change present frequency coordination system.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/02/89	54 FR 35359
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Freda Thyden, Federal Communications Commission, 202 632-7125

RIN: 3060-AE60

**4750. AMENDMENT OF PART 80 OF
THE COMMISSION'S RULES
CONCERNING VHF MARITIME
OPERATIONS**

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 80

Legal Deadline: None

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

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NOI/NPRM	11/05/92	57 FR 57717
First R&O	06/00/95	
FNPRM	06/00/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Agency Contact: Roger Noel, Federal Communications Commission, 202 632-7175

RIN: 3060-AF14

4751. REFARMING

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Replacement of part 90 by part 88 to revise Private Land Mobile Services and modify policies governing these services.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/08/92	57 FR 54034
R&O	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: Kathryn Hosford, Federal Communications Commission, 202 632-6497

RIN: 3060-AF35

4752. WIDE AREA SMR LICENSING

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i)

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes to amend its rules to promote continued growth of the 800 MHz Specialized Mobile Radio (SMR) industry.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/13/93	58 FR 33062
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: State, Local

Agency Contact: D'Wana Speight, Federal Communications Commission, 202 632-7125

RIN: 3060-AF47

**4753. IMPLEMENTATION OF
SECTIONS 3(N) AND 332 OF THE
COMMUNICATIONS ACT -
REGULATORY TREATMENT OF
MOBILE SERVICES**

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 154(j); 47 USC 302; 47 USC 303(c); 47 USC 303(f); 47 USC 303(g); 47 USC 303(r); 47 USC 332

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 20; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 25; 47 CFR 80; 47 CFR 87; 47 CFR 90; 47 CFR 95; 47 CFR 99

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, August 10, 1994.

Abstract: The Commission is amending its rules for Mobile Services to implement amendments to sections 3(n) and 332 of the Communications Act.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/14/93	58 FR 53169
NPRM Comment Period End	11/23/93	
First R&O	01/10/94	59 FR 01285
Second R&O	04/19/94	59 FR 18493
Further NPRM	05/31/94	59 FR 28042
Comment Period End	07/05/94	
Next Action Undetermined		

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: State

Agency Contact: Jane Phillips or David Siehl, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M St NW., Room 644, Washington, DC 20554, 202 418-1310

RIN: 3060-AF49

**4754. REGULATORY TREATMENT OF
MOBILE SERVICES**

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 153; 47 USC 154; 47 USC 303; 47 USC 332

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 90

Legal Deadline: Final, Statutory, February 6, 1994.

Abstract: Result of Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act to create comprehensive framework for regulation of mobile radio services.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/23/93	58 FR 53169
First R&O	01/10/94	59 FR 1285
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses, Governmental Jurisdictions

Government Levels Affected: State, Local, Federal

Agency Contact: David Furth, Federal Communications Commission, 202 634-2443

RIN: 3060-AF52

**4755. EQUAL ACCESS AND
INTERCONNECTION OBLIGATIONS
PERTAINING TO COMMERCIAL
MOBILE RADIO SERVICES**

Priority: Agency Priority

Legal Authority: 47 USC 154(i); 47 USC 154(j); 47 USC 201; 47 USC 202; 47 USC 208; 47 USC 332; 47 USC 403

CFR Citation: Not yet determined

Legal Deadline: None

FCC—WTB

Final Rule Stage

Abstract: This action is taken to determine the equal access and interconnection obligations of commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers. The notice of proposed rule making (NPRM) tentatively concludes that equal access obligations should be imposed upon cellular licensees and seeks comment on whether such obligations should also be imposed upon other CMRS providers. The NPRM also seeks comment on whether local exchange

carriers should be required to tariff their interconnection arrangements with CMRS providers. Finally, the action also includes a notice of inquiry (NOI) which seeks comment on the interconnection and resale obligations of CMRS providers.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/01/94	59 FR 35664
Final Action	00/00/00	

Small Entities Affected: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Barbara Esbin, Associate Division Chief, Federal Communications Commission, 202 418-1520

RIN: 3060-AF57

**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC)
WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU**

Completed/Longterm Actions

4756. REVISION OF PART 22 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES GOVERNING THE PUBLIC MOBILE SERVICES

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 1

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action - Certain rules suspended by Commission Order Dec 30, 1994.	08/02/94	59 FR 59502
Final Action Effective	01/01/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: State

Agency Contact: R. Bart Gorman/Jay Jackson, 202 418-1310

RIN: 3060-AF28

4757. REVISION OF PART 22 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES PERTAINING TO POWER LIMITS FOR PAGING STATIONS IN THE 931 MHZ BAND IN THE PUBLIC LAND MOBILE SERVICE

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 22

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action - Report & Order	08/02/94	59 FR 59502
Final Action Effective	01/01/95	

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: R. Bart Gorman/Jay Jackson, 202 418-1310

RIN: 3060-AF46

4758. IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 309(J) OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT—COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Priority: Agency Priority

CFR Citation: 47 CFR 1; 47 CFR 21; 47 CFR 22; 47 CFR 90; 47 CFR 95; 47 CFR 99

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	03/08/94	59 FR 22980

Small Entities Affected: Businesses

Government Levels Affected: None

Agency Contact: Jim Shaffer, 202 418-0687

RIN: 3060-AF55

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