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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information about the information collection(s), contact Leslie F. Smith via the Internet at [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) or call (202) 418-0217.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0819.

*Title:* Lifeline Assistance (Lifeline) Connection Assistance (Link-Up) Reporting Worksheet and Instructions (47 CFR 54.400-54.417).

*Form Number:* FCC Form 497.

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

*Respondents:* Individuals or households; and business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 181,855 respondents; 181,855 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 0.08-18 hours.

*Obligation To Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion, monthly, annually, and one-time reporting requirements; recordkeeping requirement; and third party disclosure requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 48,619 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$0.00.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* No impacts.

*Nature of Extent of Confidentiality:* The respondents may request

confidentiality protection for the special access performance information. The respondents are not required to file their customers' monthly usage information with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

*Needs and Uses:* In the Lifeline Order, WC Docket No. 03-109, FCC 04-87, adopted and released in April 2004, the Commission adopted the Joint Board's recommendation to require all states, including federal default states, to adopt certification procedures to document income-based eligibility for Lifeline/Link-Up enrollment. Because self-certification of income is more difficult to confirm than is a self-certification of program participation, the Commission agreed with the Joint Board that requiring presentation of documentation supporting income eligibility would protect against fraud and abuse. The Commission held similar concerns for continued enrollment in the Lifeline/Link-Up program and required documentation of eligibility for continued enrollment in the program. In conjunction with presentation of income eligibility documentation, all eligible telecommunications carriers (ETC) are required to certify that the ETC has procedures in place to review presented documentation or to certify that it is in compliance with the state requirements established to review income eligibility documentation. ETCs must retain records of their certifications. In addition, the applicant is required to certify the accuracy of the state household income and the number of persons in the household. ETCs are required to collect and retain these certifications. The FCC Form 497 was revised to clarify instructions, add new data elements to the form to clarify specific requirements and reformatted for ease of completing. In addition to the certification and verification requirements noted above, the Commission directed USAC to issue a voluntary survey to gather data and information about state Lifeline/Link-Up programs. This will enable the Commission to make more informed decisions in any future Commission orders.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission for Extension Under Delegated Authority, Comments Requested

January 9, 2008.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0430.

*Title:* Section 1.1206, Permit-But-Disclose Proceedings.

*Form Number:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; and state, local, or tribal governments.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 10,000 respondents; 10,000 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 0.5 hours.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Frequency of Response:* On-occasion reporting requirements; recordkeeping; and third party disclosure.

*Total Annual Burden:* 5,000 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* \$0.00.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* No impacts.

*Nature of Extent of Confidentiality:* The Commission is not requesting that the respondents submit confidential information to the FCC. Respondents may, however, request confidential treatment for information they believe to be confidential under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission's rules, under 47 CFR 1.1206, require that a public record be made of *ex parte* presentations (*i.e.*, written presentations not served on all parties to the proceeding or oral presentations as to which all parties have not been given notice and an opportunity to be present) to decision-making personnel in "permit-but-disclose" proceedings, such as notice-and-comment rulemakings and declaratory ruling proceedings. Persons making such presentations must file two copies of written presentations and two copies of memoranda reflecting new data or arguments in oral presentations no later than the next business day after the presentation. The information is used by parties to permit-but-disclose proceedings, including interested members of the public, to respond to the arguments made and data offered in the presentations. The responses may then be used by the Commission in its decision-making. The availability of the *ex parte* materials ensures that the Commission's decisional processes are fair, impartial, and comport with the concept of due process in that all interested parties can know of and respond to the arguments made to the decision-making officials.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Marlene H. Dortch,**

*Secretary.*

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information about the information collections, send an e-mail to [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) or contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-1043.

*Title:* Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and

Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123, FCC 04-137.

*Form Number:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit entities.

*Number of Respondents:* 13.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 10 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* Annual reporting requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 130 burden hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* None.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:* An assurance of confidentiality is not offered because this information collection does not require the collection of personally identifiable information from individuals.

*Privacy Impact Assessment:* No Impact(s).

*Needs and Uses:* The reporting requirements included under OMB Control Number 3060-1043 enable the Commission to collect waiver reports from Video Relay Service (VRS) and Internet-Protocol Relay (IP Relay) providers requesting waivers from certain Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) mandatory minimum standards. On June 30, 2004, the Commission released a *Report and Order* and *Order on Reconsideration* in Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, FCC 04-137. In the *Report and Order*, the Commission granted VRS and IP Relay providers waivers of the following TRS mandatory minimum requirements, amongst others: (1) 47 CFR 64.604(a)(3)—types of calls that must be handled; (2) 47 CFR 64.604(a)(4)—emergency call handling; and (3) 47 CFR 64.604(b)(3)—equal access to interexchange carriers. These waivers are granted provided that VRS and IP Relay providers submit annual reports to the Commission, in a narrative form, detailing: (1) The provider's plan or general approach to meet the waived standards; (2) any additional costs that would be required to meet the standards; (3) the development of any new technology that may affect the particular waivers; (4) the progress made by the provider to meet the standards; (5) the specific steps taken to resolve any technical problems that prohibit the provider from meeting the standards; and (6) any other factors relevant to whether the waiver should continue in effect.