

about the vessel (e.g., owner's name, intended route, and other radio equipment on board) and to help determine whether the alert is false. Thus, an accurate MMSI database can help to protect lives and property at sea by reducing the time it takes to locate vessels in distress.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collection(s) Requirement Submitted to OMB for Emergency Review and Approval

February 16, 2000.

**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, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (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.

**DATES:** Written comments should be submitted on or before March 27, 2000. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contacts listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to Virginia Huth, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-6929 or via internet at [vhuth@omb.eop.gov](mailto:vhuth@omb.eop.gov),

and Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554 or via internet to [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Judy Boley at 202-418-0214 or via internet at [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** *The Commission has requested emergency OMB review of this collection with an approval by February 24, 2000.*

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-XXXX.

*Type of Review:* New Collection.

*Title:* Survey to Provide Information for the Agency's Sub-study of the Estimation of Utilization Rates/Probabilities of Obtaining Broadcast and Wireless Licenses Through Secondary Market Transactions.

*Form No.:* N/A.

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

*Number of Respondents:* 4,948.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 20 minutes (.33 hours).

*Frequency of Response:* One time reporting requirement.

*Total Annual Burden:* 369 hours.

*Total Annual Cost:* N/A.

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission requests emergency OMB review and approval by February 24, 2000 for a survey that will provide a basis for the FCC's investigation that seeks to provide an estimation of the likelihood of firms owned by minorities, women, non-minorities, and small firms obtaining broadcast and wireless licenses from private firms selling licenses in the secondary market.

The secondary market study is a sub-study or the second part of a two-part study regarding broadcast and wireless license acquisition, which is part of a comprehensive examination commenced by the FCC to identify and evaluate market entry barriers and other impediments to participation and attainment of broadcast and wireless licenses by small, women and minority-owned businesses.

Data collected in the survey may provide the foundation for FCC policies to promote competition and opportunities for small, minority and women-owned businesses. This information may be used by the FCC in considering future auction rules, broadcast license rules, the biennial review of broadcast rules, the allocation of low power radio licenses, and whether the FCC should implement a tax certificate and/or distress sales program.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 00-219 and DA 00-273]

### Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Qualcomm Inc.'s Petition for Declaratory Ruling Seeking 700 MHz Band License Pursuant to Ruling of U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In this document the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) seeks comment on Qualcomm Inc.'s Petition for Declaratory Ruling. The filing deadline is extended to provide interested parties with an adequate opportunity to prepare and file meaningful comments in this proceeding.

**DATES:** Comments are due February 18, 2000 and reply comments are due February 25, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Room TW-B204, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC, 20554. Comments also should be provided to Nicole Oden, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Room 4-B551, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC, 20554. All comments should reference DA 00-219.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nicole Oden of the Auctions and Industry Analysis Division at (202) 418-0660.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of two Public Notices, DA 00-219 released February 4, 2000, and DA 00-273 released February 11, 2000. The complete text of the public notices, including all attachments, is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC. It may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857-3800. It is also available on the Commission's website at <http://www.fcc.gov>.

1. QUALCOMM Incorporated ("QUALCOMM") has filed a Petition for

Declaratory Ruling pursuant to § 1.2 of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission). QUALCOMM seeks to withdraw its pending pioneer's preference request for the A Block broadband PCS license in the Southern Florida Major Trading Area and substitute for it the 700 MHz band D Block license (752–762 MHz and 782–792 MHz) in the Southeast Economic Area Grouping 3 (“EAG 3”). (See *700 MHz First Report and Order*, 65 FR 3139 (January 20, 2000)).

2. QUALCOMM contends that the 700 MHz band D Block license is the only immediately available license that will satisfy the mandate of the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. (See *QUALCOMM Inc. v. FCC*, 181 F.3d 1370 (D.C. Cir. 1999)) QUALCOMM submits estimates of spectrum value to support its contention.

3. In a *Public Notice* (DA 00–219) released on February 4, 2000, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) sought comment on QUALCOMM's Petition for Declaratory. Specifically, the *Public Notice* requested that comments addressing any issues raised by QUALCOMM are filed on or before February 14, 2000 and reply comments were due on or before February 21, 2000. All comments should reference DA 00–219.

4. Both Bell Atlantic Mobile, Inc. (“BAM”) and U S WEST Wireless LLC (“U S WEST”) requested an extension of the deadline for filing comments to QUALCOMM's Petition for Declaratory Ruling. These parties contend that an extension of the deadline is warranted because of the important issues raised and the nature of the analysis required for parties to adequately respond.

5. It is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted. (See 47 CFR 1.46) Upon review, however, we agree that an extension will afford parties the time to file comments that will facilitate the compilation of a more complete record in this proceeding, without causing undue delay to the Commission's consideration of the issues.

6. Accordingly, we extend the filing deadline for comments to the petition filed by QUALCOMM. Comments addressing any issues raised by QUALCOMM must be filed by February 18, 2000, and reply comments are due by February 25, 2000. Adoption of these deadlines should provide interested parties with an adequate opportunity to prepare and file meaningful comments in this proceeding.

7. In all other respects, the terms and filing instructions set forth in the *Public*

*Notice* released on February 4, 2000 (DA 00–219) apply. This proceeding has been designated as a “permit-but-disclose” proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. (See 47 CFR 1.1200(a), 1.1206) Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in § 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.

8. QUALCOMM's petition is available for public inspection and copying in the Reference Center, Room CY A257, 445 12th St., SW, Washington, DC 20554. Copies of the petition are also available from ITS at 1231 20th St., NW, Washington, DC 20036, or by calling (202) 857–3800.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Louis J. Sigalos,**

*Deputy Chief, Auctions & Industry Analysis Division.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notice

February 16, 2000.

### Deletion of Agenda Item From February 17th Open Meeting

The following item has been deleted from the list of agenda items scheduled for consideration at the February 17, 2000, Open Meeting and previously listed in the Commission's Notice of February 10, 2000.

**ITEM NO. 3.**

**BUREAU:** Wireless telecommunications.

**SUBJECT:** *Title:* Calling Party Pays Service Offering in the Commercial Mobile Radio Services (WT Docket No. 97–207).

*Summary:* The Commission will consider a Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration and Report and Order concerning rules for facilitating calling party pays.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**

*Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

### Notice of Agency Sunshine Act Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the “Government in the Sunshine Act” (5 U.S.C. 552b), notice is hereby given that at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2000, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's Board of Directors will meet in closed session, pursuant to sections 552b(c)(2), (c)(6), (c)(8), (c)(9)(A)(ii), and (c)(9)(B) of title 5, United States Code, to consider matters relating to the Corporation's resolution, supervisory, and corporate activities.

The meeting will be held in the Board Room on the sixth floor of the FDIC Building located at 550—17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Requests for further information concerning the meeting may be directed to Mr. Robert E. Feldman, Executive Secretary of the Corporation, at (202) 898–6757.

Dated: February 22, 2000.

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Robert E. Feldman,**

*Executive Secretary.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**AGENCY:** Federal Election Commission.

Previously announced date & time: Thursday, February 17, 2000, 10 a.m., meeting open to the public.

The following item was added to the agenda: February Status Report to Congress on PricewaterhouseCoopers Recommendations.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, February 29, 2000 at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be closed to the public.

### ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Compliance matters pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g.

Audits conducted pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437g, 438(b), and Title 26, U.S.C.

Matters concerning participation in civil actions or proceedings or arbitration.

Internal personnel rules and procedures or matters affecting a particular employee.

**DATE AND TIME:** Wednesday, March 1, 2000 at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. (Ninth Floor).