

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

April 8, 2004.

The Federal Communications Commission will hold an open meeting on the subjects listed below on Thursday, April 15, 2004, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. in Room TW-C305, at 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC.

Item No.: 1.

Bureau: Office of Engineering and Technology.

Title: Review of Part 15 and other Parts of the Commission's Rules (ET Docket No. 01-278; RM-9375, and RM-10051).

Summary: The Commission will consider a Third Report and Order concerning rule changes for radio frequency identification systems operating at 433 MHz.

Item No.: 2.

Bureau: Media

Title: Digital Audio Broadcasting Systems and Their Impact on the Terrestrial Radio Broadcast Service (MM Docket No. 99-325).

Summary: The Commission will consider a Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning rule changes for radio stations that broadcast digital audio using In-Band On-Channel ("IBOC") technology.

Item No.: 3.

Bureau: Office of Engineering and Technology.

Title: Unlicensed Operation in the Band 3650-3700 MHz; Additional Spectrum for Unlicensed Devices Below 900 MHz and in the 3 GHz Band (ET Docket No. 02-380); and Amendment of the Commission's Rules with Regard to the 3650-3700 MHz Government Transfer Band (ET Docket No. 98-237).

Summary: The Commission will consider a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning use of the 3650-3700 MHz band.

Note: The summaries listed in this notice are intended for the use of the public attending open Commission meetings. Information not summarized may also be considered at such meetings. Consequently these summaries should not be interpreted to limit the Commission's authority to consider any relevant information.

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Audrey Spivack or David Fiske, Office of Media Relations, (202) 418-0500; TTY 1-888-835-5322.

Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live over the Internet from the FCC's Audio/Video Events Web page at www.fcc.gov/realaudio.

For a fee this meeting can be viewed live over George Mason University's Capitol Connection. The Capitol Connection also will carry the meeting live via the Internet. To purchase these services call (703) 993-3100 or go to www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu. Audio and video tapes of this meeting can be purchased from CACI Productions, 341 Victory Drive, Herndon, VA 20170, (703) 834-1470, Ext. 19; Fax (703) 834-0111.

Copies of materials adopted at this meeting can be purchased from the FCC's duplicating contractor, Qualex International (202) 863-2893; Fax (202) 863-2898; TTY (202) 863-2897. These copies are available in paper format and alternative media, including large print/type; digital disk; and audio tape. Qualex International may be reached by e-mail at Qualexint@aol.com.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

PUBLIC HEARING ON POLITICAL COMMITTEE STATUS.

PLACE: 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (ninth floor).

PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED DATES AND

TIMES: Wednesday, April 14 and Thursday, April 15, 2004, 10 a.m. The starting time has been changed to 9 a.m. on Wednesday April 14, 2004. The starting time has been changed to 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 15, 2004.

PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

Mr. Robert Biersack, Acting Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Darlene Harris,

Deputy Secretary of the Commission.

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FEDERAL HOUSING FINANCE BOARD

[No. 2004-N-07]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Housing Finance Board.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Housing Finance Board (Finance Board)

has submitted the information collection entitled "Members of the Banks" to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval of a three-year extension of the OMB control number, which is due to expire on May 31, 2004.

DATES: Interested persons may submit comments on or before May 13, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs of the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Federal Housing Finance Board, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jonathon F. Curtis, Senior Financial Analyst, Regulations & Research Division, Office of Supervision, by e-mail at curtisj@fhfb.gov, by telephone at 202/408-2866, or by regular mail at the Federal Housing Finance Board, 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Need For and Use of the Information Collection

Section 4 of the Federal Home Loan Bank Act (Bank Act) establishes the eligibility requirements an institution must meet in order to become a member of a Federal Home Loan Bank (Bank). See 12 U.S.C. 1424. Part 925 of the Finance Board regulations—the membership rule—implements section 4 of the Bank Act. See 12 CFR part 925. The membership rule provides uniform requirements an applicant for Bank membership must meet and review criteria a Bank must apply to determine if an applicant satisfies the statutory and regulatory membership eligibility requirements.

More specifically, the membership rule implements the statutory eligibility requirements and provides guidance to an applicant on how it may satisfy such requirements. The rule authorizes a Bank to approve or deny each membership application subject to the statutory and regulatory requirements and permits an applicant to appeal to the Finance Board a Bank's decision to deny certification as a Bank member. The rule also imposes a continuing obligation on a current Bank member to provide information necessary to determine if it remains in compliance with applicable statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements.

The information collection, which is contained in §§ 925.2 through 925.31 of the membership rule, 12 CFR 925.2-925.31, is necessary to enable a Bank to determine if a respondent satisfies the statutory and regulatory requirements to be certified initially and maintain its status as a member eligible to obtain

Bank advances. The Finance Board requires and uses the information collection to determine whether to uphold or overrule a Bank's decision to deny member certification to an applicant.

The OMB number for the information collection is 3069-0004. The OMB clearance for the information collection expires on May 31, 2004.

The likely respondents are institutions that are or want to become members of a Bank.

B. Burden Estimate

The Finance Board has analyzed the cost and hour burden for the four facets of the information collection—membership application process, minimum capital stock calculation, membership withdrawals and transfer of membership to another Bank district. The first notice inadvertently omitted the burden estimates for two of the four facets of the information collection. As explained in more detail below, the estimate for the total annual hour burden is 12,346 hours.

1. Membership Application Process

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of applicants for Bank membership at 300, with 1 response per applicant. The estimate for the average hours per application is 24.5 hours. The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of applications appealed to the Finance Board at one. The estimate for the average hours per appellate application is 10 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden for the membership application process is 7450 hours (300 applicants \times 1 application \times 24.5 hours + 1 appellant \times 1 appeal \times 10 hours).

2. Minimum Capital Stock Calculation

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of Bank members that must calculate the minimum capital stock requirement at 8,100, with 1 response per member. The estimate for the average hours per maintenance response is 0.6 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden for the minimum capital stock calculation is 4860 hours (8100 members \times 1 response \times 0.6 hours).

3. Membership Withdrawals

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of members that will file to withdraw from Bank membership at 30, with 1 filing per member. The estimate for the average hours per filing is 0.6 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden for membership withdrawals is

18 hours (30 members \times 1 filing \times 0.6 hours).

4. Transfer of Membership to Another Bank District

The Finance Board estimates the total annual average number of members that will file to transfer membership to another Bank district at 5, with 1 filing per member. The estimate for the average hours per filing is 3.5 hours. The estimate for the total annual hour burden for membership transfers is 18 hours (5 members \times 1 filing \times 3.5 hours).

C. Comment Request

In accordance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the Finance Board published a request for public comments regarding this information collection in the **Federal Register** on February 5, 2004. See 69 FR 5546 (Feb. 5, 2004). The 60-day comment period closed on April 5, 2004. The Finance Board received one comment urging increased use of electronic information. The Finance Board encourages the use of information technology to reduce the information collection burden. However, the extent of use is determined by each Bank. The comment is available on the Finance Board Web site at http://www.fhfb.gov/pressroom/pressroom_regs.htm.

Written comments are requested on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of Finance Board functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the Finance Board's estimates of the burdens of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be submitted to OMB in writing at the address listed above.

Dated: April 5, 2004.

By the Federal Housing Finance Board.

Donald Demitros,

Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Improving the Quality of Genetic Testing and Assuring Its Appropriate Integration Into Clinical and Public Health Practice

Announcement Type: New.
Funding Opportunity Number: 04137.
Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 93.064.

Application Deadline: June 14, 2004.

Executive Summary: The number of genetic tests available to the clinical and public health communities is increasing, as is the number of tests being ordered. For many genetic tests, significant concerns exist related to test ordering, analytical and clinical validation, quality control, result reporting, and use of test results in medical decision making. Surveys carried out previously have indicated variability and gaps in each of these areas with potentially significant implications for the delivery of genetic testing services to the public. Initially, to address these issues, the scope of work for this project will include a technology and practice assessment linked to development of a program to improve one, or more aspects of the genetic testing process.

The goals of this program are (1) to conduct a technology and practice assessment within the scope of genetic testing laboratory services in the United States that will evaluate elements important for assuring the quality, appropriate use, and to what extent an understanding of benefits and limitations are applied; (2) to conduct a pilot study to test concepts potentially useful for improving the quality of the genetic testing process; and (3) to compare relevant international activities (those occurring outside the United States) to efforts undertaken in this project. The focus will be on one, or more health conditions and/or group of technologies that can provide insights into a broader spectrum of genetic testing issues. The target audiences for the assessment are laboratories performing genetic tests and users of genetic laboratory services (i.e. clinical and public health practitioners who order and use genetic tests and results). Important factors to consider include technologies employed, methods used for test validation and quality control, and pre- and post-analytic factors pertinent to the collection and use of patient/population-based information and the use of test results for health-care