

an organizational culture that fully recognizes, values, and supports employee diversity. The Board is committed to promoting and supporting an inclusive environment that provides to all employees, individually and collectively, the chance to work to their full potential in the pursuit of the Agency's mission. We will provide everyone the opportunity to develop to his or her fullest potential. When a barrier to someone achieving this goal exists, we will strive to remove this barrier.

Affirmative Employment

The Board reaffirms its commitment to ensuring FCA conducts all of its employment practices in a nondiscriminatory manner. The Board expects full cooperation and support from everyone associated with recruitment, selection, development, and promotion to ensure such actions are free of discrimination. All employees will be evaluated on their EEOD achievements as part of their overall job performance. Though staff commitment is important, the role of supervisors is paramount to success. Agency supervisors must be coaches and are responsible for helping all employees develop their talents and give their best efforts in contributing to the mission of the FCA.

Workplace Harassment

It is the policy of the FCA to provide a work environment free from unlawful discrimination in any form, and to protect all employees from any form of harassment, either physical or verbal. The FCA will not tolerate harassment in the workplace for any reason. The FCA also will not tolerate retaliation against any employee for reporting harassment or for aiding in any inquiry about reporting harassment.

Disabled Veterans Affirmative Action Program (DVAAP)

A disabled veteran is defined as someone who is entitled to compensation under the laws administered by the Veterans Administration or someone who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.

The FCA is committed to increasing the representation of disabled veterans within its organization. Our Nation owes a debt to those veterans who served their country, especially those who were disabled because of service. To honor these disabled veterans, the FCA shall place emphasis on making vacancies known to and providing

opportunities for employing disabled veterans.

Responsibilities

The Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is ultimately responsible for developing and carrying out all EEOD requirements and initiatives in accordance with laws and regulations to fulfill diversity initiatives in approved program plans.

To help in fulfilling these responsibilities the CEO, or designee, will fill the following positions:

- EEO Director and, as appropriate, EEO Coordinator(s);
- Special Emphasis Program Managers required by law or regulation;
- EEO Counselors; and
- EEO Investigators.

Persons in these positions will perform their duties as specified by the CEO or designee and as required by law or regulation. The Head of each Agency office will provide to these persons on an as needed basis upon request from the EEO Director.

The CEO or EEO Director may also establish standing committees to deal with specific issues as they arise.

Adopted this 14th day of August 2008 by Order of the Board.

Dated: August 14, 2008.

Roland E. Smith,

Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Approved by the Office of Management and Budget

August 18, 2008.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collection(s) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520). An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number, and no person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Comments concerning the accuracy of the burden estimate(s) and any suggestions for reducing the burden should be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
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(202) 418-1002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-1080.

OMB Approval Date: August 1, 2008.

Expiration Date: August 31, 2011.

Title: Collection for the Prevention or Elimination of Interference and for the Reconfiguration of the 800 MHz Band.

Form No.: Not applicable.

Estimated Annual Burden: 6,269 responses; 4,5104 hours per response; 28,276 hours total per year.

Obligation to Respond: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: The Commission will work with respondents to ensure that their concerns regarding the confidentiality of any proprietary or public safety-sensitive information are resolved in a manner consistent with the Commission's rules. See 47 CFR 0.459.

Needs and Uses: The information sought will assist 800 MHz licensees in preventing or resolving interference and enable the Commission to implement its rebanding program. Under that program, certain licensees are being relocated to new frequencies in the 800 MHz band, with all rebanding costs to be paid by Sprint Nextel Corporation (Sprint). The Commission's overarching objective in this proceeding is to eliminate interference to public safety communications. The Commission's orders provided for the 800 MHz licensees in non-border areas to complete rebanding by June 26, 2008. This collection is being revised to incorporate the waiver request information collection previously approved under OMB control number 3060-1114.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Approved by the Office of Management and Budget

August 18, 2008.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0207.

OMB Approval Date: August 8, 2008.

Expiration Date: August 31, 2011.

Title: Part 11—Emergency Alert System.

Form No.: Not applicable.

Estimated Annual Burden: 3,533,196 responses; 0.0227035 hours per response; 80,216 hours total per year.

Obligation to Respond: Mandatory (47 CFR Part 11).

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no need for confidentiality.

Needs and Uses: In the Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in EB Docket No. 04-296, FCC 07-109, the Commission adopts rules that require states to file new EAS plans with the Commission under certain circumstances, expand the number of private entities covered by EAS, and impose new obligations on private entities. The rules require EAS participants to maintain and keep immediately-available a copy of the EAS operating handbook at normal duty positions or EAS equipment locations; requires state and local EAS plans to be reviewed and approved by the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau prior to implementation; requires manufacturers to include instructions and information on the proper installation, operation and programming of an EAS Encoder, EAS Decoder, or combined unit and a list of all State and county FIPS numbers with each unit sold or marketed in the U.S.; require appropriate logs be kept regarding EAS testing and EAS Decoder malfunctions; allow all EAS participants to submit a written request to the FCC asking to be a Non-Participating National source; require communications common carriers participating in the national level EAS and rendering free service to file semiannual reports on the free service; require entities wishing to voluntarily participate in the national level EAS to submit a written request to the FCC; require written agreements between broadcast stations and cable or wireless cable systems on election not to interrupt EAS messages; require a waiver request be made to the FCC if EAS sources cannot be received and

alternate arrangements cannot be made; impose a disclosure requirement on SDARS licensees or DBS providers that are not able to transmit state and local EAS messages; and require logging of various events and tests.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency

[Docket ID OCC-2008-0011]

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Thrift Supervision

[Docket OTS-2008-0006]

Joint Report: Differences in Accounting and Capital Standards Among the Federal Banking Agencies; Report to Congressional Committees

AGENCIES: Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), Treasury; Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB); Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC); and Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), Treasury.

ACTION: Report to the Congressional Committees.

SUMMARY: The OCC, the FRB, the FDIC, and the OTS (the agencies) have prepared this report pursuant to section 37(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act. Section 37(c) requires the agencies to jointly submit an annual report to the Committee on Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives and to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the United States Senate describing differences between the capital and accounting standards used by the agencies. The report must be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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FDIC: Robert F. Storch, Chief Accountant (202-898-8906), Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20429.

OTS: Christine A. Smith, Project Manager (202-906-5740), Supervision Policy, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The text of the report follows: Report to the Committee on Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives and to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the United States Senate Regarding Differences in Accounting and Capital Standards Among the Federal Banking Agencies

Introduction

The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS) (“the federal banking agencies” or “the agencies”) must jointly submit an annual report to the Committee on Financial Services of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the U.S. Senate describing differences between the accounting and capital standards used by the agencies. The report must be published in the **Federal Register**.

This report, which covers differences existing as of December 31, 2007, is the sixth joint annual report on differences in accounting and capital standards to be submitted pursuant to section 37(c) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1831n(c)), as amended. Prior to the agencies’ first joint annual report, section 37(c) required a separate report from each agency.

Since the agencies filed their first reports on accounting and capital differences in 1990, the agencies have acted in concert to harmonize their accounting and capital standards and eliminate as many differences as possible. Section 303 of the Riegle Community Development and Regulatory Improvement Act of 1994 (12 U.S.C. 4803) also directed the agencies to work jointly to make uniform all regulations and guidelines implementing common statutory or supervisory policies. The results of