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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Information Collection(s) Being Submitted for Review and Approval to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3502 -3520), the Federal Communications Commission invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection(s). Comments are requested concerning: 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; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; 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; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB 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 OMB control number.

DATES: Written Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) comments should be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**. If you anticipate that you will be submitting PRA comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the FCC contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct your PRA comments to Nicholas A. Fraser, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), via fax at 202-395-5167 or via Internet at Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov <mailto:Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov> and to Judith B. Herman, Federal Communications Commission, via the Internet at Judith-b.herman@fcc.gov. To submit your PRA comments by email send them to: PRA@fcc.gov <<mailto:PRA@fcc.gov>>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judith B. Herman, Office of Managing Director, FCC, at 202-418-0214.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0804.

Title: Universal Service - Rural Health Care Program.

Form Numbers: FCC Forms 460, 461, 462, 463 (new FCC forms); 465, 466, 466-A and 467.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit, not for profit institutions, federal government and state, local and tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 11,000 respondents; 54,041 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 1.21 hours (average).

Frequency of Response: On occasion, one time, annual, quarterly and monthly reporting requirements and recordkeeping requirements.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in 47 U.S.C. sections 151, 154(i), 154(i), 201-205, 214, 254 and 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 65,539 hours.

Total Annual Cost: N/A.

Privacy Impact Assessment: N/A.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: No assurances of confidentiality are provided to respondents concerning this information collection. Respondents may request materials or information submitted to the Commission be withheld from public inspection under 47 CFR 0.459 of the Commission's rules. We note that USAC must preserve the confidentiality of all data obtained from respondents; must not use the data except for purposes of administering the Rural Health Care programs; and must not disclose data in company specific form unless directed to do so by the Commission.

Needs and Uses: The Commission will submit this collection to the OMB for approval of a revision in order to obtain the three year clearance from them.

The Commission seeks OMB approval for a revision for: 1) information collections associated with the new Healthcare Connect Fund; created FCC Forms 460, 461, 462 and 463; information

collections associated with a new skilled nursing facilities pilot program; 3) revised reporting requirements associated with an existing pilot program; and 4) extended information collections associated with existing programs. For complete details regarding this revision, please see the 60 day notice that was published in the Federal Register on April 1, 2013 (78 FR 19479).

Federal Communications Commission.

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