

adjacent channels without first submitting a petition for rulemaking. All applicants using this one-step process must demonstrate that a suitable site exists which would comply with allotment standards with respect to minimum distance separation and city-grade coverage and which would be suitable for tower construction. To receive authorization for commencement of Digital Television ("DTV") operation, commercial broadcast licensees must file FCC Form 301 for a construction permit. This application may be filed anytime after receiving the initial DTV allotment but must be filed before mid-point in a particular applicant's required construction period. The Commission will consider these applications as minor changes in facilities. Applications will not have to supply full legal or financial qualification information.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval

September 15, 2003.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commissions, 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, 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 October 27, 2003. 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 contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-A804, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov or Kim A. Johnson, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Room 10236 NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395-3562 or via Internet at Kim_A.Johnson@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at Leslie.Smith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0922.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Broadcast Mid-Term Report, FCC Form 397.

Form Number: FCC 397.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 4,300.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.5 hours.

Frequency of Response:

Recordkeeping; Mid-point reporting requirement.

Total Annual Burden: 269 hours (one-eighth of respondents file annually).

Total Annual Cost: None.

Needs and Uses: On November 7, 2002, the FCC adopted a Second Report and Order and Third NPRM (Second R&O), MM Docket No. 98-204, FCC 02-303, 68 FR 670 (2003), which established new EEO rules and forms to comply with the court's decision in *MD/DC/DE Broadcasters Association v. FCC*. The new rules adopt a new version of FCC Form 397. The new EEO rules also ensure equal employment opportunity in the broadcast and multi-channel video program distribution industries through outreach to the community in recruitment and prevention of employment discrimination. The new version of FCC Form 397 is filed only once at the mid-point of the eight-year license term of television licensees, with five or more full-time employees, and radio licensees, with eleven or more full-time employees. Licensees must certify that they have complied with the FCC's EEO rules during the period prior

to the date of the Mid-Term Report and must include copies of EEO reports that are required to be placed in the licensees' local public file for the prior two years.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[WC Docket No. 03-138; FCC 03-228]

Application by SBC Communications Inc., Michigan Bell Telephone Company, and Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc., for Authorization To Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in Michigan

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In the document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) grants the section 271 application of SBC Communications Inc., Michigan Bell Telephone Company, and Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc. (Michigan Bell) for authority to enter the interLATA telecommunications market in Michigan. The Commission grants Michigan Bell's application based on the Commission's conclusion that Michigan Bell has satisfied all of the statutory requirements for entry and opened its local exchange markets to full competition.

DATES: Effective September 26, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gina Spade, Attorney-Advisor, Wireline Competition Bureau, at (202) 418-7105 or via the Internet at gina.spade@fcc.gov. The complete text of this Memorandum Opinion and Order is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Wireline Competition Bureau's TTY number: (202) 418-0484.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order in WC Docket No. 03-138, FCC 03-228, adopted September 17, 2003, and released September 17, 2003. The full text of this order may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals