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## ENHANCED ANTENNA STRUCTURE REGISTRATION AND TOWAIR QUERIES RELEASED

The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) announces an extensive redesign of the Antenna Structure Registration (ASR) **Application Search** and **Registration Search** queries. The redesigned queries can be found at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/antenna">http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/antenna</a>. The queries have been transformed by new layouts and functionality allowing FCC customers faster, easier navigation of displayed application and registration information; extensive new help files, printable page formatting, and a host of other new features which improve performance and broaden access to ASR. The redesign process was driven by the needs of ASR customers—drawing on your feedback from focus groups, letters, calls, and emails--and adheres to the recently launched, improved FCC website design, providing users with a familiar, more usable interface. Attractive new graphics and better placement of search elements make finding and entering search criteria easier than ever before.

## **New Features**

Here are just a few of the new ASR search features:

- Speed and Compatibility The new ASR query pages not only feature bold new designs but improved system software as well. The older applet technology used to query the ASR database has been replaced with HTML forms. This change in technology dramatically increases the speed ASR query pages load in your web browser and speeds individual searches. Many compatibility issues caused by the older software have also been eliminated.
- **Direct Access to Information** One of the guiding principles for the redesign of the ASR queries has been to eliminate the need to constantly "drill down," i. e., follow numerous links to find information. Many of the new features, such as improved navigation, optional display modes for search results, and a Registration Search feature on every ASR query page, were designed to provide you with direct access to information.
- New Basic and Advanced Registration Search Pages ASR Registration Search has been divided into a Basic and Advanced search similar to commercial search engines available across the Internet. The search fields most often used by ASR customers can be easily selected on the Basic Search page, eliminating the need to read through the entire list of ASR search fields as in the past. If you require a more detailed set of search criteria, select Advanced Registration Search.
- Application and Registration Detail Screens The ASR query detail screens have been designed to make finding specific information about the applicant, the registrant, and the antenna structure straightforward. Also convenient hyperlinks connect you to related information. For example, click on the registration number in Application Detail to be taken to

- the registration. On the registration detail screen, click on the file numbers listed under Related Applications to be taken directly to those filings.
- Expanded View Another innovative feature of the new ASR queries is the Expanded View feature on the search results pages. From a handy drop down menu at the top of your Search results screen, choose either Basic view, which displays general information about a record, or Expanded View to see a more detailed version of each record.
- **Printable Page** A new "Printable Page" button appears at the top of every search results and detail screen, allowing you to print the contents of the page pre-formatted for most common printers.
- **Towair** The Towair query has been redesigned to utilize the new, faster HTML format.
- New Help Files Extensive new help documentation is now available for ASR online. View specific help topics for ASR and TOWAIR, a glossary of antenna terms, relevant sections from the Code of Federal Regulations, and an updated Frequently Asked Questions section, which includes issues submitted by ASR customers.

The ASR and TOWAIR query redesigns are part of a continuing effort by the WTB to improve the usability of our online systems for our customers. Future enhancements are planned. Please continue to provide us with input on the features and services that best meet your needs.

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