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## NEW ULS ONLINE FILING INTERFACE TO BE DEPLOYED SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2003

ULS Online Filing will be down from 12:00 am Saturday, December 13th until 10:00 am Sunday, December 14th. All saved licenses and applications in ULS will be converted to the new filing environment at this time. ULS Technical Support will be available on Sunday, 10:00 am – 6:00 pm.

As part of a continuing effort to improve the Universal Licensing System (ULS), the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) announces the end of phase one of a multiphased process to extensively redesign ULS Online Filing. Phase one includes the following:

- Deployment of the new ULS License Manager and a new filing wizard for all application purposes for radio services that complete Form 605 (main form only).
- Deployment of License Manager and the filing wizard for radio services that complete Form 601 (main form only) for the following application purposes: Renewal Only, Cancel, Withdrawal, Duplicate, and Administrative Update.

Filers using the Form 601 to file a major purpose application will continue to use the current software for online filing, but the applications will be accessed from within License Manager.

Please Note: There has been no change to the data required on Forms 605/601.

**Please Note:** The new ULS License Manager is compatible with most major Web browsers. However, filers of all application purposes other than those listed above will be connected seamlessly to existing software by the License Manager. Existing software requires a compatible operating system and a compatible Web browser. For specific information about compatible software please see the ULS Getting Connected page: http://esupport.fcc.gov/gettingconnected.htm.

## **Important Information About the Deployment**

- <u>All filers will be required to login using an FCC Registration Number</u> and CORES password to ULS License Manager through the ULS homepage: http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls.
- <u>Tax Payer Identification Numbers (TINs) will no longer be accepted</u> for login purposes.

## Form Changes As a Result of License Manager

A new version of paper Form 605 dated December 2003 has been issued. Please follow these guidelines:

- All applicants who file the paper version of Form 605 should begin using the version of the form dated December 2003.
- All paper applications received from applicants in the **Ship** and **Aircraft** services except the December 2003 edition will be **returned** to the applicant for submission of the proper edition.
- After January 19, 2004, all editions of paper Form 605 received from applicants in the Ship and Aircraft services except the December 2003 edition will be dismissed.
- The new edition of FCC 605 December 2003 is now available on the FCC webpage <u>http://www.fcc.gov/Forms/Form605/605.html</u> or through the FCC's Right Fax service at (202)418-0177.

The following changes have been made to Form 605 schedules:

- Schedule B now has 3 questions to determine whether or not a license is required for the Ship radio service
- Questions about Coast Search and Rescue information have been added
- Item 14 now has a 'Yes' or 'No' selection
- Minor changes have been made to the ship radio requirements noted in the instructions.
- The certification statement for ship radio station license is now on the Main Form.
- Schedule C now has a question to determine whether or not a license is required for the Aircraft radio service.
- Schedule E Item 3, Date of Birth, now requests a 4-digit year.
- Schedule G has a completely new look. The form has been redesigned to follow the order of questions in the ULS License Manager application wizard, with the exception of these 4 questions: Name of Ship, Official Number of ship, Gross Tonnage and Ship Telex INMARSAT Number.

**FCC Technical Support Hotline:** The Technical Support Hotline will be available **10:00 am – 6:00 pm on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>** and during normal hours. Technical Support may be reached via the web at <u>http://esupport.fcc.gov</u>, or telephone at 877- 480-3201 (TTY 202-414-1255). Normal Hours are 8 am to 6 pm. ET, Monday-Friday (except holidays).

**ULS Licensing Support and Forms Information:** Contact Licensing Support with questions about application purpose(s), FCC forms or schedules, or other wireless related licensing matters. ULS Licensing Support is available via email at <u>ulshelp@fcc.gov</u> or telephone at 888-CALLFCC (225-5322), Option 2, or 717/ 338-2888. Hours are from 8 am to 5:30 pm Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except federal holidays). There are no additional hours Sunday, December 14, 2003, for Licensing Support and Forms Information.

To provide quality service and ensure security, all telephone calls are recorded.