



Equipment Authorization / TCB Administrative Issues

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Overview

- Information Dissemination Program
- Short – term Confidentiality Review
- Implementation of FRN Red-light program to TCB application submittal
- EAS Web page rewrite



Information Dissemination Program

- *Provide Comprehensive, Consistent and Timely Information to All Our Customers*

- www.fcc.gov/labhelp/
 - Knowledge DataBase
 - Search DB for existing interpretation
 - Submit inquiry related to policy and/or policy interpretation



Additional Inquiries

- easadmin@fcc.gov
 - Requests for dismissal
 - Fee payment problems / questions
 - Transfer of control grantee questions
 - Application filing problems / questions

- eastech@fcc.gov
 - EA policy / procedural questions
 - Questions for Chief, EAB



Short Term Confidentiality

- Guided by 47 CFR 0.457 and 0.459
- Intended to allow importation / distribution of authorized equipment while maintaining confidentiality before product launch
- Applies to External Photos, Test Setup Photos, Block Diagram, Schematics, User's Manual, Internal Photos, Parts List / Tune-Up Procedures, Operational Description



Short-term Confidentiality Guidelines

- Granted for 45 calendar days from the Grant Date
- >45 days extension must be input prior to expiration of time frame (Eastern Time)
- Short-term Confidentiality NTE 180 days
- Ensure applicant notifies TCB when marketing commences and expire Short-term Confidentiality



Application of Red-Light Rule

- Commission shall not provide “benefits” to anyone indebted to the Commission
Reference “Debt Collection” at http://www.fcc.gov/debt_collection/
- FRN will be checked against all debts to the Commission at the time of filing and at time of attempt to grant.



Red-light Rule Implementation

- Applicant FRN and TCB FRN validated at Form 731 entry page, and prior to grant

- TCB FRN marked in “bad” standing
 - TCB previously received letter from FCC describing indebtedness
 - TCB may access TCB functions and file Form 731s
 - No grants may be issued, viewed or reprinted
 - Updates of pending application information acceptable
 - Routine periodic checks to determine if indebtedness is resolved
 - All TCB pending applications subject to dismissal if indebtedness is unresolved



Red-light Rule Implementation

- Applicant in “bad” standing
 - Applicant previously received letter from FCC describing indebtedness
 - TCB may not view, print or reprint applicant’s grants
 - Pending applications put in a HF (Hold for Fee Problems) status
 - Updates of pending application information acceptable
 - Routine periodic checks to determine if indebtedness is resolved
 - Pending application(s) subject to dismissal if indebtedness is unresolved



Improvements / Modifications

- Rewrite of all EAS and EAS/TCB Web pages to eliminate WebSQL code
- Limited opportunity to make changes – “look and feel” rather than substance
- Submit recommendations to easadmin@fcc.gov



Questions and Answers

Thanks!