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## INTERNATIONAL BUREAU REMINDS CIRCUIT CAPACITY HOLDERS TO FILE THEIR SECTION 43.62 CIRCUIT CAPACITY REPORTS BY MARCH 31, 2016

### *Electronic Filing Window Open from March 1, 2016 to March 31, 2016*

In this Public Notice, we remind filers that data for the annual Circuit Capacity Reports are due no later than March 31, 2016.<sup>1</sup> Section 43.62 of the Commission's rules requires (1) any facilities-based common carrier with active satellite or terrestrial circuits between the United States and a foreign point, (2) any non-common carrier satellite licensee with active circuits between the United States and a foreign point, (3) any licensee of a submarine cable between the United States and a foreign point, and (4) any common carrier with capacity on a submarine cable between the United States and a foreign point (collectively, "Circuit Capacity Holders") providing international telecommunications services to file a Circuit Capacity Report if it had any activated or non-activated circuits as of December 31, 2015.

Circuit Capacity Holders must file their Circuit Capacity Reports through the Commission's Section 43.62 online filing system at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/section-4362-online-filing> from March 1, 2016 to March 31, 2016. Circuit Capacity Holders should refer to the International Bureau's Filing Manual for Section 43.62 Annual Reports (Filing Manual) for instructions on how to file the reports, who must file, which of the reports to file, the information that each report must contain, and the filing procedures.<sup>2</sup> The latest version of the Filing Manual is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/section-4362-online-filing>.

We remind Circuit Capacity Holders of their obligation to file by March 31, 2016 and that failure to comply with section 43.62 may subject them to enforcement action.<sup>3</sup> Letters notifying that circuits have been discontinued should be emailed to [Circuit.Capacity@fcc.gov](mailto:Circuit.Capacity@fcc.gov). We encourage Circuit Capacity Holders to file their reports as early as possible during the filing window.

Each filing entity must use a single CORES FCC Registration Number (FRN) to submit data on (1) filing entity contact information; (2) preparer contact information; (3) authorizations; (4) satellite and terrestrial circuits; (5) submarine cable operator data; (6) submarine cable capacity holder data; and (7)

<sup>1</sup> Section 43.62(a) requires Circuit Capacity Reports to be filed by March 31 of each year. 47 CFR § 43.62(a).

<sup>2</sup> Based on the questions we received last year from filers, we also updated the Filing Manual to ensure that the filing directions are clear. We clarified, for example, the terms "Facilities Circuit," "Resold Circuit," and "Similar Entities to Capacity Holders" for purposes of filing. Other clarifications are in paragraphs 88, 100, 138 of the Filing Manual and in the definitions of "Indefeasible Right of Use (IRU)" and "Inter-Carrier Lease (ICL)."

<sup>3</sup> Circuit Capacity Holders that are unable to file by the deadline must submit, by March 31, 2016, a waiver request seeking an extension of time to file. See Filing Manual at 4, para. 18; see also 47 CFR § 1.3.

certifying official information. Filers must enter the data directly into online forms in the Section 43.62 online filing system, except that the (5) submarine cable operator data and (6) submarine cable capacity holder data must be uploaded into the Section 43.62 filing system using the attached templates.

Filing entities can use the templates from the online filing system or upload the attachments provided here to submit their data. Each filing entity may use Attachment 1 to submit “(5) submarine cable operator data” and may use Attachment 2 to submit “(6) submarine cable capacity holder data.” Additionally, each filing entity must provide the correct authorization numbers for its filing. For ease of reference, Attachment 3 provides the current authorization number for each U.S. international submarine cable.

Attachment 1 – Filing Template for Submarine Cable Operator Data

Attachment 2 – Filing Template for Submarine Cable Capacity Holder Data

Attachment 3 – Current Authorization Numbers for U.S. International Submarine Cables as of December 31, 2015

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