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### **Forward**

This bulletin provides a basic understanding of the FCC regulations for low-power, unlicensed transmitters, followed by some answers to commonly-asked questions. To assist readers in locating specific rules, the rule references are displayed in a column to the right of the text.

We welcome comments on improvements that can be made to this bulletin. Please address such comments to:

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**Note:** Editorial changes have been made in this bulletin to reflect changes in the cordless telephone frequencies, the names, addresses and telephone numbers of information sources and FCC offices. This bulletin does not contain information concerning personal communication services (PCS) transmitters operating under Part 15, Subpart D of the rules. The FCC rules and regulations governing PCS transmitters may be found in 47 CFR, Parts 0 to 19. This bulletin also does not cover recent changes in the rules to accomodate devices operating above 40 GHz (millimeter waves). These changes will be discussed in later editions of this bulletin.

The fees listed in this bulletin reflect those in effect at the time of printing, but are subject to change. Current fee information can be obtained from The FCC's Public Access Link (PAL) and the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) Fee Filing Guide. See "*FCC's computer bulletin board*" and "*Obtaining forms and fee filing guides*" under <u>Additional Information</u> on pages 31 and 32 of this bulletin.

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## **Introduction**

Low-power, non-licensed transmitters are used virtually everywhere. Cordless phones, baby monitors, garage door openers, wireless home security systems, keyless automobile entry systems and hundreds of other types of common electronic equipment rely on such transmitters to function. At any time of day, most people are within a few meters of consumer products that use low-power, non-licensed transmitters.

Non-licensed transmitters operate on a variety of frequencies. They must share these frequencies with licensed transmitters and are prohibited from causing interference to licensed transmitters.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has rules to limit the potential for harmful interference to licensed transmitters by low-power, non-licensed transmitters. In its regulations, the FCC takes into account that different types of products that incorporate low-power transmitters have different potentials for causing harmful interference. As a result, the FCC's regulations are most restrictive on products that are most likely to cause harmful interference, and less restrictive on those that are least likely to cause interference.

This bulletin is intended to provide a general understanding of the FCC's regulations and policies applying to products using low-power transmitters. It reflects the current text and interpretations of the FCC's regulations. More detailed information is contained in the regulations themselves, which can be found in Part 15 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This bulletin does not replace or supersede those regulations.

Manufacturers and parties selling low-power, non-licensed transmitters, or products containing low-power, non-licensed transmitters, are strongly encouraged to review the FCC's regulations closely. Recognizing that new uses of low-power transmitters often generate questions that are not directly addressed in the regulations, we welcome inquiries or requests for specific interpretations. Occasionally, the FCC proposes changes to its regulations, generally to address industry concerns and/or as new uses of low-power transmission equipment appear. See the section titled <u>Additional Information</u> for information on obtaining the FCC regulations, requesting interpretations, and finding out about proposed rule changes.

#### Low-Power, Non-Licensed Transmitters

Throughout this bulletin the terms "low-power transmitter," "low-power, non-licensed transmitter," and "Part 15 transmitter" all refer to the same thing: a low-power, non-licensed transmitter that complies with the regulations in Part 15 of the FCC rules. Part 15 transmitters use very little power, most of them less than a milliwatt. They are "non-licensed" because their operators are not required to obtain a license from the FCC to use them.

Although an operator does not have to obtain a license to use a Part 15 transmitter, the transmitter itself is required to have an FCC authorization before it can be legally marketed in the United States. This authorization requirement helps ensure that Part 15 transmitters comply with the Commission's technical standards and, thus, are capable of being operated with little potential for causing interference to authorized radio communications.

If a Part 15 transmitter does cause interference to authorized radio communications, even if the transmitter complies with all of the technical standards and equipment authorization requirements in the FCC rules, then its operator will be required to cease operation, at least until the interference problem is corrected.

Part 15 transmitters receive no regulatory protection from interference.

### Antenna Requirement

Changing the antenna on a transmitter can significantly increase, or decrease, the strength of the signal that is ultimately transmitted. Except for cable locating equipment, the standards in Part 15 are not based solely on output power but also take into account the antenna characteristics. Thus, a low power transmitter that complies with the technical standards in Part 15 with a particular antenna attached can exceed the Part 15 standards if a different antenna is attached. Should this happen it could pose a serious interference problem to authorized radio communications such as emergency, broadcast and air-traffic control communications.

In order to prevent such interference problems, each Part 15 transmitter must be designed to ensure that no type of antenna can be used with it other than the one used to demonstrate compliance with the technical standards. This means that Part 15 transmitters must have permanently attached antennas, or detachable antennas with unique connectors. A "unique connector" is one that is not of a standard type found in electronic supply stores.

It is recognized that suppliers of Part 15 transmitters often want their customers to be able to replace an antenna if it should break. With this in mind, Part 15 allows transmitters to be designed so that the user can replace a broken antenna. When this is done, the replacement antenna must be electrically identical to the antenna that was used to obtain FCC authorization for the transmitter. The replacement antenna also must include the unique connector described above to ensure it is used with the proper transmitter.

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#### Home-Built Transmitters that are Not for Sale

Hobbyists, inventors and other parties that design and build Part 15 transmitters with no intention of ever marketing them may construct and operate up to five such transmitters for their own personal use without having to obtain FCC equipment authorization. If possible, these transmitters should be tested for compliance with the Commission's rules. If such testing is not practicable, their designers and builders are required to employ good engineering practices in order to ensure compliance with the Part 15 standards.

Home-built transmitters, like all Part 15 transmitters, are not allowed to cause interference to licensed radio communications and must accept any interference that they receive. If a home-built Part 15 transmitter does cause interference to licensed radio communications, the Commission will require its operator to cease operation until the interference problem is corrected. Furthermore, if the Commission determines that the operator of such a transmitter has not attempted to ensure compliance with the Part 15 technical standards by employing good engineering practices then that operator may be fined up to \$10,000 for each violation and \$75,000 for a repeat or continuing violation.

Operating a prototype of a product that is ultimately intended for market is not considered "personal use." Thus, a party that designs and builds a transmitter with plans to mass produce and market a future version of it must obtain an experimental license from the FCC in order to operate the transmitter for any purpose other than testing for compliance with the Part 15 technical standards. Information on experimental licenses may be obtained from the contact point listed in the <u>Additional</u> <u>Information</u> section of this bulletin. FCC authorization is not required in order to test a transmitter for compliance with the Part 15 technical standards.

#### **Equipment Authorization**

A Part 15 transmitter must be tested and authorized before it may be marketed. There are two ways to obtain authorization: certification and verification.

#### Certification

The *certification* procedure requires that tests be performed to measure the levels of radio frequency energy that are radiated by the device into the open air or conducted by the device onto the power lines. A description of the measurement facilities of the laboratory where these tests are performed must be on file with the Commission's laboratory or must accompany the certification application. After these tests have been performed, a report must be produced showing the test procedure, the test results, and some additional information about the device including design drawings. The specific information that must be included in a certification report is detailed in Part 2 of the FCC Rules.

Certified transmitters also are required to have two labels attached: an FCC ID label and a compliance label. The FCC ID label identifies the FCC equipment authorization file that is associated with the transmitter, and serves as an indication to consumers that Section 15.7 47 CFR Part 5

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47 U.S.C. 503

Section 15.201 Section 2.803 47 U.S.C. 302(b)

Section 2.948 Section 2.1033

Section 2.938 Section 2.1033 the transmitter has been authorized by the FCC. The compliance label indicates to consumers that the transmitter was authorized under Part 15 of the FCC rules and that it may not cause, nor is it protected from, harmful interference.

The FCC ID.The FCC ID must be permanently marked (etched, engraved, indelibly<br/>printed, etc.) either directly on the transmitter, or on a tag that is permanently affixed<br/>(riveted, welded, glued, etc.) to it. The FCC ID label must be readily visible to the<br/>purchaser at the time of purchase.Section 2.925The FCC ID is a string of 4 to 17 characters. It may contain any combination of capital<br/>letters, numbers, or the dash/hyphen character. Characters 4 through 17 may be<br/>designated, as desired, by the applicant. The first three characters, however, are the<br/>"grantee code," a code assigned by the FCC to each particular applicant (grantee). Any<br/>application filed with the FCC must have an FCC ID that begins with an assignedSection 2.925<br/>Section 2.925<br/>Section 2.926

<u>The Grantee Code</u>. To obtain a code, new applicants must send in a letter stating the applicant's name and address and requesting a grantee code. This letter must be accompanied by a completed "Fee Advice Form" (FCC Form 159), and a \$45 processing fee. See *Obtaining...filing packets* on page 31.

<u>The Compliance Label.</u> The applicant for a grant of certification is responsible for having the compliance label produced and for having it affixed to each device that is marketed or imported. The wording for the compliance label is in Part 15, and may be included on the same label as the FCC ID, if desired.

The compliance label and FCC ID label may not be attached to any devices until a grant of certification has been obtained for the devices. Section 2.926

Once the report demonstrating compliance with the technical standards has been completed, and the compliance label and FCC ID label have been designed, the party wishing to get the transmitter certified (it can be anyone) must file a copy of the report, an "Application for Equipment Authorization" (FCC Form 731) and an \$845 application fee, with the FCC. See <u>Obtaining...filing packets</u> on page 31.

After the application is submitted, the FCC's lab will review the report and may or may not request a sample of the transmitter to test. If the application is complete and accurate, and any tests performed by the FCC's lab confirm that the transmitter is compliant, the FCC will then issue a grant of certification for the transmitter. Marketing of the transmitter may begin after the applicant has received a copy of this grant.

Typically, 90% of the applications for certification that the FCC receives are processed within 30 calendar days. This time frame may increase due to incomplete applications and pre-grant sampling, if determined to be necessary.

Verification

grantee code.

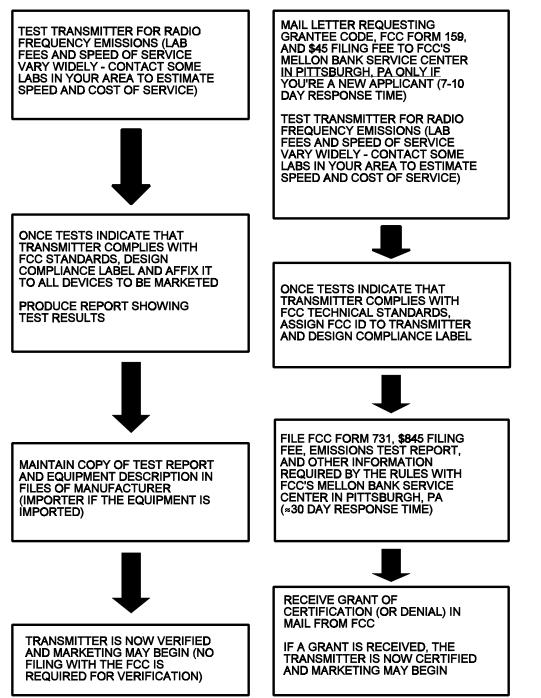
| The <i>verification</i> procedure requires that tests be performed on the transmitter to be authorized using a laboratory that has calibrated its test site or, if the transmitter is incapable of being tested at a laboratory, at the installation site. These tests measure the levels of radio frequency energy that are radiated by the transmitter into the open air or conducted by the transmitter onto the power lines. After these tests are performed, a report must be produced showing the test procedure, the test results, and some additional information about the transmitter including design drawings. The specific information that must be included in a verification report is detailed in Part 2 of the FCC Rules. | Sections 2.951<br>through 2.957 |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Once the report is completed, the manufacturer (or importer for an imported device) is required to keep a copy of it on file as evidence that the transmitter meets the technical standards in Part 15. The manufacturer (importer) must be able to produce this report on short notice should the FCC ever request it.  | Section 2.955<br>Section 2.956  |
| <u>The Compliance Label.</u> The manufacturer (or importer) is responsible for having the compliance label produced, and for having it affixed to each transmitter that is marketed or imported. The wording for the compliance label is included in Part 15. Verified transmitters must be uniquely identified with a brand name and/or model number that cannot be confused with other, electrically different transmitters on the market. However, they may not be labelled with an FCC ID or in a manner that could be confused with an FCC ID.  | Section 15.19<br>Section 2.954  |
| Once the report showing compliance is in the manufacturer's (or importer's) files and the compliance label has been attached to the transmitter, marketing of the transmitter may begin. <i>There is no filing with the FCC required for verified equipment.</i>   | Section 2.805                   |
| Any equipment that connects to the public switched telephone network, such as a cordless telephone, is also subject to regulations in Part 68 of the FCC Rules and must be registered by the FCC prior to marketing. The rules in Part 68 are designed to protect against harm to the telephone network.   | Section 68.102                  |

| Authorization Procedures for Part 15 Transmitters   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Low Power Transmitter   | Authorization Procedure  |  |  |
| AM-band transmission systems on the campuses of educational institutions                              | Verification   |  |  |
| Cable locating equipment<br>at or below 490 kHz   | Verification   |  |  |
| Carrier current systems   | Verification   |  |  |
| Devices, such as a perimeter<br>protection systems, that must be<br>measured at the installation site | Verification of first three installations with resulting data<br>immediately used to obtain certification    |  |  |
| Leaky coaxial cable systems   | If designed for operation exclusively in the AM broadcast<br>band: verification;<br>otherwise: certification |  |  |
| Tunnel radio systems  | Verification   |  |  |
| All other Part 15 transmitters  | Certification  |  |  |

# Authorization Procedures for Part 15 Transmitters

**The Verification Procedure** 

**The Certification Procedure** 



Certification: Sections 2.1031 through 2.1045

Verification: Sections 2.951 through 2.957

#### **Technical Standards**

# Conducted emission limits

Part 15 transmitters that obtain power from the electrical power lines are subject to conducted emission standards that limit the amount of radio frequency energy they can conduct back onto these lines in the band 450 kHz - 30 MHz. This limit is 250 microvolts.

An exception to the conducted emission requirements is made for carrier current systems. These systems are not subject to any conducted emission limits unless they produce emissions (fundamental or harmonic) in the 535 kHz - 1,705 kHz band and are not intended to be received by standard AM broadcast receivers, in which case they are subject to a 1,000 microvolt limit.

Although carrier current systems are, for the most part, not subject to conducted emission limits, they are still subject to radiated emission limits.

#### Radiated emission limits

Section 15.209 contains general radiated emission (signal strength) limits that apply to all Part 15 transmitters using frequencies at 9 kHz and above. There are also a number of *restricted bands* in which low power, non-licensed transmitters are not allowed to operate because of potential interference to sensitive radio communications such as aircraft radionavigation, radio astronomy and search and rescue operations. If a particular transmitter can comply with the general radiated limits, and at the same time avoid operating in one of the restricted bands, then it can use any type of modulation (AM, FM, PCM, etc.) for any purpose.

With the exception of intermittent and periodic transmissions, and biomedical telemetry devices, Part 15 transmitters are *not* permitted to operate in the TV broadcast bands.

Special provisions have been made in the Part 15 rules for certain types of transmitters that require a stronger signal strength on certain frequencies than the general radiated emission limits provide. For example, such provisions have been made for cordless telephones, auditory assistance devices and field disturbance sensors, among other things.

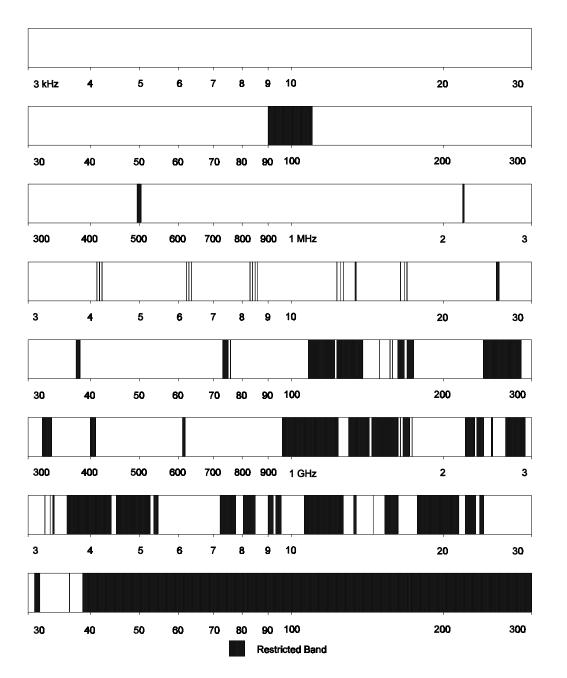
The following table illustrates where, in the radio frequency spectrum, the Part 15 restricted bands lie. The table after that illustrates what type of Part 15 operation is permitted for every frequency above 9 kHz, the emission limit for that type of operation, and the type of detector ("Det") used to measure emissions (average with a peak limit, "A," or quasi-peak, "Q"). When a transmitter power limit is specified instead of an emission limit, no emission detector is specified.

Section 15.209 Section 15.205 Sections 15.215 through 15.251 Section 15.35

Section 15.207

Section 15.209 Section 15.205

# The Part 15 Restricted Bands - Spurious Emissions Only



Section 15.205

| Frequency Band                              | Type of Use                                   | Emission Limit                    | Det | 47 CFR |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|-----|--------|
| 9-45 kHz                                    | Cable locating equipment                      | 10 Watts peak<br>output power     |     | 15.213 |
|   | Any   | 2400/f(kHz)<br>µV/m @ 300 m       | А   | 15.209 |
| 45-90 kHz                                   | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak<br>output power       |     | 15.213 |
|   | Any   | 2400/f(kHz)<br>µV/m @ 300 m       | А   | 15.209 |
| 90-101.4 kHz                                | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak output power          |     | 15.213 |
| 101.4 kHz                                   | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak output power          |     | 15.213 |
|   | Telephone company electronic marker detectors | 23.7 μV/m<br>@ 300 m              | А   | 15.205 |
| 101.4-110 kHz                               | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak output power          |     | 15.213 |
| 110-160 kHz                                 | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak<br>output power       |     | 15.213 |
|   | Any   | 2400/f(kHz)<br>µV/m @ 300 m       | А   | 15.209 |
| 160-190 kHz                                 | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak<br>output power       |     | 15.213 |
|   | Any   | 1 Watt input to final RF<br>stage |     | 15.217 |
|   | Any   | 2400/f(kHz)<br>µV/m @ 300 m       | А   | 15.209 |
| 190-490 kHz                                 | Cable locating equipment                      | 1 Watt peak<br>output power       |     | 15.213 |
|   | Any   | 2400/f(kHz)<br>µV/m @ 300 m       | А   | 15.209 |
| 490-495 kHz<br>(before 2/1/99)              | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                       | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m       | Q   | 15.205 |
| 490-495 kHz (cont.)<br>(on or after 2/1/99) | Any   | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m       | Q   | 15.209 |
| 495-505 kHz                                 | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                       | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m       | Q   | 15.205 |
| 505-510 kHz<br>(before 2/1/99)              | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                       | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m       | Q   | 15.205 |
| (on or after 2/1/99)                        | Any   | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m       | Q   | 15.209 |

Part 15 low-power transmitter frequency table

| 510-525 kHz         | Any   | 100 mW input to final RF stage                            |   | 15.219 |
|---------------------|---|---|---|--------|
|                     | Any   | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m                               | Q | 15.209 |
| 525-1705 kHz        | Any   | 100 mW input to final RF<br>stage                         |   | 15.219 |
|                     | Transmitters on grounds of educational institutions     | 24000/f(kHz) μV/m @<br>30 m outside of campus<br>boundary | Q | 15.221 |
|                     | Carrier current & leaky coax systems                    | 15 μV/m @<br>47,715/f(kHz) m from<br>cable                | Q | 15.221 |
|                     | Any   | 24000/f(kHz)<br>μV/m @ 30 m                               | Q | 15.209 |
| 1.705-2.1735 MHz    | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth $\geq$ 10% of center frequency | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency   | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz)       | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.209 |
| 2.1735-2.1905 MHz   | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors               | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.205 |
| 2.1905-4.125 MHz    | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency      | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency   | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz)       | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.209 |
| 4.125-4.128 MHz     | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors               | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.205 |
| 4.128-4.17725 MHz   | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency      | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency   | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz)       | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.209 |
| 4.17725-4.17775 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors               | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | Q | 15.205 |
| 4.17775-4.20725 MHz | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency      | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency   | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz)       | А | 15.223 |

|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
|---------------------|---|---|---|--------|
| 4.20725-4.20775 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors             | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 4.20775-6.215 MHz   | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency    | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 6.215-6.218 MHz     | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors             | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 6.218-6.26775 MHz   | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency    | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 6.26775-6.26825 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors             | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 6.26825-6.31175 MHz | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency    | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 6.31175-6.31225 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors             | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 6.31225-8.291 MHz   | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency    | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 8.291-8.294 MHz     | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors             | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 8.294-8.362 MHz     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth≥10% of center frequency      | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                     | Any   | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |

| 8.362-8.366 MHz                | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
|--------------------------------|--|---|---|--------|
| 8.366-8.37625 MHz              | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth ≥ 10% of center frequency       | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                                | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency    | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                                | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 8.37625-8.38675 MHz            | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 8.38675-8.41425 MHz            | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth $\geq 10\%$ of center frequency | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
| 8.38675-8.41425 MHz<br>(cont.) | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency    | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                                | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 8.41425-8.41475 MHz            | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 8.41475-10 MHz                 | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth $\geq 10\%$ of center frequency | 100 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                  | А | 15.223 |
|                                | Any, when 6 dB bandwidth < 10% of<br>center frequency    | 15 μV/m @ 30 m or<br>bandwidth in (kHz)<br>/ f(MHz) | А | 15.223 |
|                                | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 10-12.29 MHz                   | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 12.29-12.293 MHz               | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 12.293-12.51975 MHz            | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 12.51975-12.52025 MHz          | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 12.52025-12.57675 MHz          | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 12.57675-12.57725 MHz          | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 12.57725-13.36 MHz             | Any  | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |
| 13.36-13.41 MHz                | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors                | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.205 |
| 13.41-13.553 MHz               | Any  | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                                   | Q | 15.209 |

| 13.553-13.567 MHz     | Any                                       | 10,000 µV/m<br>@ 30 m | Q         | 15.225 |
|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|-----------|--------|
|                       | Any                                       | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 13.567-16.42 MHz      | Any                                       | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 16.42-16.423 MHz      | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors | 30 μV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.205 |
| 16.423-16.69475 MHz   | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 16.69475-16.69525 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.205 |
| 16.69525-16.80425 MHz | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 16.80425-16.80475 MHz | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.205 |
| 16.80475-25.5 MHz     | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 25.5-25.67 MHz        | Swept frequency field disturbance sensors | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.205 |
| 25.67-26.96 MHz       | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 26.96-27.28 MHz       | Any                                       | 10,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А         | 15.227 |
|                       | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 27.28-30 MHz          | Any                                       | 30 µV/m<br>@ 30 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 30-37.5 MHz           | Any                                       | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 37.5-38.25 MHz        | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | Q         | 15.205 |
| 38.25-40.66 MHz       | Any                                       | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 40.66-40.7 MHz        | Intermittent Control Signals              | 2,250 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                       | Periodic Transmissions                    | 1,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m   | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                       | Any                                       | 1,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m   | Q         | 15.229 |
|                       | Perimeter Protection Systems              | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А         | 15.229 |
| 40.7-43.71 MHz        | Any                                       | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | Q         | 15.209 |
| 43.71-44.49 MHz       | Cordless Telephones                       | 10,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А         | 15.233 |

|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|-----------|--------|
| 44.49-46.6 MHz  | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 46.6-46.98 MHz  | Cordless Telephones                             | 10,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.233 |
|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 46.98-48.75 MHz | Any   | 100 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 48.75-49.51 MHz | Cordless Telephones                             | 10,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.233 |
|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 49.51-49.66 MHz | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 49.66-49.82 MHz | Cordless Telephones                             | 10,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.233 |
|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 49.82-49.9 MHz  | Any   | 10,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.235 |
|                 | Cordless Telephones                             | 10,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.233 |
| 49.9-50 MHz     | Cordless Telephones                             | 10,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.233 |
|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 50-54 MHz       | Any   | 100 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 54-70 MHz       | Non-Residential Perimeter Protection<br>Systems | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 70-72 MHz       | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                 | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                 | Non-Residential Perimeter Protection<br>Systems | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 72-73 MHz       | Auditory Assistance Devices                     | 80,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.237 |
|                 | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                 | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                 | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |

| 73-74.6 MHz            | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                         | 100 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.205 |
|------------------------|---|----------------------|-----------|--------|
| 74.6-74.8 MHz          | Auditory Assistance Devices                     | 80,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.237 |
|                        | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 74.8-75.2 MHz          | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                         | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.205 |
| 75.2-76 MHz            | Auditory Assistance Devices                     | 80,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.237 |
|                        | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Any   | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 76-88 MHz              | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Non-Residential Perimeter Protection<br>Systems | 100 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 88-108 MHz             | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Any<br><u>(&lt;</u> 200 kHz bandwidth)          | 250 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.239 |
|                        | Any   | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 108-121.94 MHz         | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                         | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.205 |
| 121.94-123 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals                    | 1,250 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 121.94-123 MHz (cont.) | Any   | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 123-138 MHz            | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                         | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.205 |

| 120,140,0,144                 |                              |   |           |        |
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| 138-149.9 MHz                 | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) μV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 149.9-150.05 MHz              | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 150.05-156.52475 MHz          | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) µV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 156.52475-156.52525<br>MHz    | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 156.52525-156.7 MHz           | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) µV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 156.7-156.9 MHz               | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 156.9-162.0125 MHz            | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) µV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 156.9-162.0125 MHz<br>(cont.) | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 162.0125-167.17 MHz           | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 167.17-167.72 MHz             | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) µV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                               | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |

| 167.72-173.2 MHz    | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 150 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
|---------------------|------------------------------|---|-----------|--------|
| 173.2-174 MHz       | Intermittent Control Signals | (625/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(67500/11) µV/m @ 3 m    | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions       | (250/11) x f(MHz) -<br>(27000/11)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Any                          | 150 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 174-216 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 3,750 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                             | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions       | 1,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                             | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Biomedical Telemetry Devices | 1,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                             | А         | 15.241 |
| 216-240 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 3,750 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                             | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions       | 1,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                             | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Any                          | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 240-285 MHz         | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 285-322 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | (125/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(21250/3) µV/m @ 3 m      | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 285-322 MHz (cont.) | Periodic Transmissions       | (50/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(8500/3)<br>μV/m @ 3 m     | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Any                          | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 322-335.4 MHz       | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 335.4-399.9 MHz     | Intermittent Control Signals | (125/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(21250/3) µV/m @ 3 m      | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions       | (50/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(8500/3)<br>μV/m @ 3 m     | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Any                          | 200 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.209 |
| 399.9-410 MHz       | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                               | Q         | 15.205 |
| 410-470 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | (125/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(21250/3) µV/m<br>@ 3 m   | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |

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|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | (50/3) x f(MHz) -<br>(8500/3)<br>μV/m @ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Any   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                           | Q         | 15.209 |
| 470-512 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 512-566 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Biomedical Telemetry Devices for<br>Hospitals             | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                           | Q         | 15.209 |
| 566-608 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 608-614 MHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                                   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                           | Q         | 15.205 |
| 614-806 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 806-890 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Any   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                           | Q         | 15.209 |
| 890-902 MHz | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                         | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|             | Signals Used to Measure the Characteristics of a Material | 500 μV/m<br>@ 30 m                          | А         | 15.243 |
|             | Any   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                           | Q         | 15.209 |
| 902-928 MHz | Spread Spectrum Transmitters                              | 1 Watt<br>Output Power                      |           | 15.247 |
|             | Field Disturbance Sensors                                 | 500,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                       | А         | 15.245 |
|             | Any   | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | Q         | 15.249 |

|                     | Signals Used to Measure the Characteristics of a Material | 500 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | А         | 15.243 |
|---------------------|---|----------------------|-----------|--------|
|                     | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
| 928-940 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Signals Used to Measure the Characteristics of a Material | 500 μV/m<br>@ 30 m   | А         | 15.243 |
| 928-940 MHz (cont.) | Any   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 940-960 MHz         | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | A or<br>Q | 15.231 |
|                     | Any   | 200 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.209 |
| 960-1000 MHz        | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                                   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | Q         | 15.205 |
| 1-1.24 GHz          | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                                   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.205 |
| 1.24-1.3 GHz        | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.209 |
| 1.3-1.427 GHz       | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                                   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.205 |
| 1.427-1.435 GHz     | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.209 |
| 1.435-1.6265 GHz    | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                                   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.205 |
| 1.6265-1.6455 GHz   | Intermittent Control Signals                              | 12,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Periodic Transmissions                                    | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А         | 15.231 |
|                     | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А         | 15.209 |

| 1.6455-1.6465 GHz       | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.205 |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|---|--------|
| 1.6465-1.66 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
| 1.6465-1.66 GHz (cont.) | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.209 |
| 1.66-1.71 GHz           | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.205 |
| 1.71-1.7188 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.209 |
| 1.7188-1.7222 GHz       | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.205 |
| 1.7222-2.2 GHz          | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.209 |
| 2.2-2.3 GHz             | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.205 |
| 2.3-2.31 GHz            | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.209 |
| 2.31-2.39 GHz           | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.205 |
| 2.39-2.4 GHz            | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m      | А | 15.209 |
| 2.4-2.435 GHz           | Spread Spectrum Transmitters | 1 Watt<br>Output Power |   | 15.247 |
| 2.4-2.435 GHz (cont.)   | Any                          | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.249 |
| 2.435-2.465 GHz         | Spread Spectrum Transmitters | 1 Watt<br>Output Power |   | 15.247 |

|                         | Field Disturbance Sensors                   | 500,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                    | А | 15.245 |
|-------------------------|---|--|---|--------|
|                         | Any   | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.249 |
| 2.465-2.4835 GHz        | Spread Spectrum Transmitters                | 1 Watt<br>Output Power                   |   | 15.247 |
|                         | Any   | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.249 |
| 2.4835-2.5 GHz          | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 2.5-2.655 GHz           | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 2.655-2.9 GHz           | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 2.9-3.26 GHz            | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Automatic Vehicle Identification<br>Systems | 3,000 µV/m per MHz of<br>bandwidth @ 3 m | А | 15.251 |
|                         | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 3.26-3.267 GHz          | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 3.267-3.332 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Automatic Vehicle Identification<br>Systems | 3,000 µV/m per MHz of<br>bandwidth @ 3 m | А | 15.251 |
| 3.267-3.332 GHz (cont.) | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 3.332-3.339 GHz         | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 3.339-3.3458 GHz        | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                         | Automatic Vehicle Identification<br>Systems | 3,000 µV/m per MHz of<br>bandwidth @ 3 m | А | 15.251 |
|                         | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |

| 3.3458-3.358 GHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
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| 3.358-3.6 GHz    | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Automatic Vehicle Identification<br>Systems | 3,000 µV/m per MHz of<br>bandwidth @ 3 m | А | 15.251 |
|                  | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 3.6-4.4 GHz      | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 4.4-4.5 GHz      | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 4.5-5.25 GHz     | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 5.25-5.35 GHz    | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 5.35-5.46 GHz    | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY                     | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.205 |
| 5.46-5.725 GHz   | Intermittent Control Signals                | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Periodic Transmissions                      | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                      | А | 15.231 |
|                  | Any   | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                        | А | 15.209 |
| 5.725-5.785 GHz  | Spread Spectrum Transmitters                | 1 Watt<br>Output Power                   |   | 15.247 |
|                  | Any   | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.249 |
| 5.785-5.815 GHz  | Spread Spectrum Transmitters                | 1 Watt<br>Output Power                   |   | 15.247 |
|                  | Field Disturbance Sensors                   | 500,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                    | А | 15.245 |
|                  | Any   | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m                     | А | 15.249 |
| 5.815-5.85 GHz   | Spread Spectrum Transmitters                | 1 Watt<br>Output Power                   |   | 15.247 |

|                | Any                          | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.249 |
|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------|
| 5.85-5.875 GHz | Any                          | 50,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.249 |
| 5.875-7.25 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.209 |
| 7.25-7.75 GHz  | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.205 |
| 7.75-8.025 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.209 |
| 8.025-8.5 GHz  | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.205 |
| 8.5-9 GHz      | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.209 |
| 9-9.2 GHz      | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.205 |
| 9.2-9.3 GHz    | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.209 |
| 9.3-9.5 GHz    | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.205 |
| 9.5-10.5 GHz   | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m     | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m       | А | 15.209 |
| 10.5-10.55 GHz | Field Disturbance Sensors    | 2,500,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m | А | 15.245 |
|                | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m    | А | 15.231 |

|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|----------------|------------------------------|--|---|--------|
|                | Any                          | 500 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 10.55-10.6 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 10.6-12.7 GHz  | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.205 |
| 12.7-13.25 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 13.25-13.4 GHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.205 |
| 13.4-14.47 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 14.47-14.5 GHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.205 |
| 14.5-15.35 GHz | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 15.35-16.2 GHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.205 |
| 16.2-17.7 GHz  | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 17.7-21.4 GHz  | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 μV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | А | 15.205 |

| 21.4-22.01 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
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| 21.4-22.01 GHz (cont.) | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 µV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 22.01-23.12 GHz        | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 µV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | А | 15.205 |
| 23.12-23.6 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 23.6-24 GHz            | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 µV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | А | 15.205 |
| 24-24.075 GHz          | Any                          | 250,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.249 |
| 24.075-24.175 GHz      | Field Disturbance Sensors    | 2,500,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.245 |
|                        | Any                          | 250,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.249 |
| 24.175-24.25 GHz       | Any                          | 250,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.249 |
| 24.25-31.2 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 31.2-31.8 GHz          | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 µV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | А | 15.205 |
| 31.8-36.43 GHz         | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
| 31.8-36.43 GHz (cont.) | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                        | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| 36.43-36.5 GHz         | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 µV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | A | 15.205 |

| 36.5-38.6 GHz  | Intermittent Control Signals | 12,500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m   | А | 15.231 |
|----------------|------------------------------|--|---|--------|
|                | Periodic Transmissions       | 5,000 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.231 |
|                | Any                          | 500 μV/m<br>@ 3 m  | А | 15.209 |
| Above 38.6 GHz | SPURIOUS EMISSIONS ONLY      | 500 µV/m @ 3 m<br>with higher emissions<br>permitted according<br>to Section 15.205(d) | А | 15.205 |

#### Cordless telephones

Cordless telephones are required to incorporate circuitry that uses digital security codes to help prevent the phone from unintentionally connecting to the public switched telephone network when it encounters radio frequency noise from another cordless phone or from some other source. Cordless phones that do not have this circuitry (phones that were manufactured or imported prior to September 11, 1991) are required to have a statement on the package in which they are sold that warns of the danger of unintentional line seizures and indicates what features the packaged phone has to help prevent them.

The preceding table describes the frequencies that cordless phones can use.

#### Tunnel radio systems

Many tunnels have naturally surrounding earth and/or water that attenuates radio waves. Transmitters that are operated inside these tunnels are not subject to any radiation limits inside the tunnel. Instead, the signals they produce must meet the Part 15 general radiated emission limits on the outside of the tunnel, including its openings. They also must comply with the conducted emission limits on the electric power lines outside of the tunnel.

Buildings and other structures that are not surrounded by earth or water (e.g. oil storage tanks) are not tunnels. Transmitters that are operated inside such structures are subject to the same standards as transmitters operated in an open area.

#### **Commonly Asked Questions**

#### What happens if one sells, imports or uses non-compliant low-power transmitters?

The FCC rules are designed to control the marketing of low-power transmitters and, to a lesser extent, their use. If the operation of a non-compliant transmitter causes interference to authorized radio communications, the user should stop operating the transmitter or correct the problem causing the interference. However, the person (or company) that sold this non-compliant transmitter to the user has violated the FCC marketing rules in Part 2 as well as federal law. The act of selling or leasing, offering to sell or lease, or importing a low-power transmitter that has not gone through the appropriate FCC equipment authorization procedure is a violation of the Commission's rules and federal law. Violators may be subject to an enforcement action by the Commission's Field Operations Bureau that could result in:

| 0<br>0 | forfeiture of all non-compliant equipment<br>\$100,000/\$200,000 criminal penalty for an               | Section 1.80<br>47 U.S.C. 302<br>47 U.S.C. 501 |  |
|--------|--|--|--|
| 0      | individual/organization 47 U.S.C.<br>a criminal fine totalling twice the gross gain obtained 47 U.S.C. |  |  |
|        | from sales of the non-compliant equipment  | 47 U.S.C. 510<br>18 U.S.C. 3571                |  |
| 0      | an administrative fine totalling \$10,000/day per violation, up to a maximum of \$75,000               |  |  |

What changes can be made to an FCC-authorized device without requiring a new FCC

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#### authorization?

The person or company <u>that obtained FCC authorization</u> for a Part 15 transmitter is permitted to make the following types of changes:

For **certified equipment**, the holder of the grant of certification, or the holder's agent, can make minor modifications to the circuitry, appearance or other design aspects of the transmitter. Minor modifications are divided into two categories: Class I permissive changes and Class II permissive changes. Major changes are not permitted.

Minor changes that <u>do not increase the radio frequency emissions</u> from the transmitter do not require the grantee to file any information with the FCC. These are called *Class I permissive changes*. (Note: if a Class I permissive change results in a product that looks different than the one that was certified it is strongly suggested that photos of the modified transmitter be filed with the FCC.)

Minor changes that <u>increase the radio frequency emissions</u> from the transmitter require the grantee to file complete information about the change along with results of tests showing that the equipment continues to comply with FCC technical standards. In this case, the modified equipment may not be marketed under the existing grant of certification prior to acknowledgement by the Commission that the change is acceptable. These are called *Class II permissive changes*.

Major changes require that a new grant be obtained by submitting a new application with complete test results. Some examples of major changes include: changes to the basic frequency determining and stabilizing circuitry; changes to the frequency multiplication stages or basic modulator circuit; and, major changes to the size, shape or shielding properties of the case.

No changes are permitted to certified equipment by anyone other than the grantee or the grantee's designated agent; except, however, that changes to the FCC ID without any other changes to the equipment may be performed by anyone by filing an abbreviated application.

For <u>verified equipment</u>, any changes may be made to the circuitry, appearance or other design aspects of the device as long as the manufacturer (importer, if the equipment is imported) has on file updated circuit drawings and test data showing that the equipment continues to comply with the FCC rules.

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Section 2.1043 Section 2.933

Section 2.952 Section 2.953 Section 2.955

#### What is the relationship between "microvolts per meter" and Watts?

Watts are the units used to describe the amount of power generated by a transmitter. Microvolts per meter  $(\mu V/m)$  are the units used to describe the strength of an electric field created by the operation of a transmitter.

A particular transmitter that generates a constant level of power (Watts) can produce electric fields of different strengths ( $\mu$ V/m) depending on, among other things, the type of transmission line and antenna connected to it. Because it is the electric field that causes interference to authorized radio communications, and since a particular electric field strength does not directly correspond to a particular level of transmitter power, most of the Part 15 emission limits are specified in field strength.

Although the precise relationship between power and field strength can depend on a number of additional factors, a commonly-used equation to approximate their relationship is:

$$\frac{PG}{4\pi D^2}=\frac{E^2}{120\pi}$$

where: P is transmitter power in Watts;

- G is the numerical gain of the transmitting antenna relative to an isotropic source;
- D is the distance of the measuring point from the electrical center of the antenna in meters; and,
- E is field strength in volts/meter.

 $4BD^2$  is the surface area of the sphere centered at the radiating source whose surface is D meters from the radiating source. 120B is the characteristic impedance of free space in ohms.

Using this equation, and assuming a unity gain antenna (G = 1) and a measurement distance of 3 meters (D = 3), a formula for determining power given field strength can be developed:

 $P = 0.3E^2$ 

where: P is the transmitter power (EIRP) in watts and E is the field strength in volts/meter.

#### **Additional Information**

#### **Obtaining rules**

The FCC rules are contained in *Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations* (47 CFR). Parts 2 and 15 are applicable to low-power transmitters. Part 68 applies, in addition, to equipment that connects to the public switched telephone network. To obtain a copy of these rules contact:

Superintendent of Documents U.S. Government Printing Office P.O. Box 371954 Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954

Tel: (202) 512-1800 / Fax: (202) 512-2250 (8 AM - 5 PM Eastern Time) (GPO deposit accounts, VISA and MasterCard accepted)

#### Obtaining forms and fee filing guides

To obtain copies of FCC Form 159 ("Fee Advice Form"), FCC Form 731 ("Application for Equipment Authorization") FCC Form 730 ("Registration of Telephone and Data Terminal Equipment"), and fæ filing guides contact:

Federal Communications Commission Forms Distribution Center 9300 E. Hampton Drive Capitol Heights, MD 20743 Tel: (202) 418-3676 or 1-800 418-3676

#### Equipment authorization procedures

Questions regarding equipment authorization procedures for Part 15 transmitters should be addressed to:

Federal Communications Commission Equipment Authorization Division Application Processing Branch, MS 1300F1 7435 Oakland Mills Road Columbia, MD 21046 Tel: (301) 725-1585 / Fax: (301) 344-2050 E-Mail: labinfo@fcc.gov

#### Obtaining equipment authorization filing packets

Application packets to assist applicants in applying for certification of transmitters and obtaining a grantee code are available from:

Federal Communications Commission Equipment Authorization Division Customer Service Branch Tel: (301) 725-1585, Ext 639 / Fax: (301) 344-2050 E-Mail: labinfo@fcc.gov

#### Rule interpretations

Questions regarding interpretations of the Part 2 and Part 15 rules as they apply to low-power transmitters and measurement procedures used to test these transmitters for compliance with the Part 15 technical standards, should be addressed to:

Federal Communications Commission Equipment Authorization Division Customer Service Branch, MS 1300F2 7435 Oakland Mills Road Columbia, MD 21046 Tel: (301) 725-1585 / Fax: (301) 344-2050 E-Mail: labinfo@fcc.gov

#### Part 68 registration requirements

Questions regarding the Part 68 rules as they apply to equipment that connects to the public switched telephone network (cordless phones, wireless modems etc.) should be addressed to:

Federal Communications Commission Network Services Division, MS 1600B Washington, DC 20554 Tel: (202) 418-2342 / Fax: (202) 418-2345

#### Experimental licenses

Prior to obtaining FCC equipment authorization, Part 15 transmitters may not be operated without an experimental license; *except*, however, that no license is needed to test a Part 15 transmitter for compliance with the FCC rules. Information on obtaining an experimental license may be obtained from:

Federal Communications Commission New Technology Development Division Experimental Licensing Branch, MS 1300E1 Washington, DC 20554 Tel: (202) 418-2479 / Fax: (202) 418-1918

#### FCC's computer bulletin board

The FCC maintains a computer bulletin board, called the Public Access Link (PAL), that contains information about the FCC rules, proposed or recent rule changes, application procedures, fees and equipment authorizations. Applicants may check on the status of their applications, and others may check the validity of an FCC ID on a piece of equipment, by dialing this bulletin board via computer modem at:

(301) 725-1072 Modem set up: 8 bits, no parity, 1 stop bit (parity is ignored on input and system does not send parity on output)

#### Status desk

Applicants who do not have access to a computer may check on the status of their applications by calling the Equipment Authorization Division's status desk at:

(301) 725-1585, Ext. 300 (Monday-Thursday, 2:00 - 4:30 PM)