THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU FILING SYSTEM FILE NUMBER FORMAT

The International Bureau Filing System (IBFS) is a database, application filing system, and processing system for all International and Satellite services. IBFS supports electronic filing of many applications and related documents in the International Bureau, and provides public access to information.

IBFS uses a standard file number format for all processes handled in the International Bureau. The file number format is designed to help applicants, FCC processing staff and researchers identify basic information about filings quickly and facilitate research activities. The standard file number format is explained in detail below:

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Subsystem Application
Type

Date Filed (Year,Month,Day)

Sequential File Number

WHAT IS A(N):

1. Subsystem?

The IBFS system consists of 13 subsystems, each representing a specific service category. They are:

- 325 Section 325-C applications for permit to foreign broadcast (Part 73)
- ARC Accounting Rate Changes filings (Part 63)
- DNC Requests for assignment of a data network identification code (Part 64)
- FCN Foreign Carrier Notification Filings (Part 64)
- IHF International HF Broadcast Applications (Part 73)
- IPF International Public Fixed Radio applications (Part 23)
- ISP International Special Projects filings (Part 63)
- ITC International Telecommunications Certificate (Part 63)
- ROA Requests for Recognized Operating Agency status (Part
- SAT Applications for satellite space station authorizations (Part 25)
- SCL Applications for Submarine Cable Landing licenses (Part 63)
 - SES Applications for Satellite Earth Station licenses or registration (Part 25)
 - SPC Requests for assignment of an international Signalling Point Code (Part 64)

2. Application Type?

Application types are defined as follows:

- 214 Section 214 Authority
- AMD Amendment to a pending application
- A/O Authority to operate a satellite space station
- ASG Assignment of License
- C/P Construction Permit
- DRZ Declaratory Ruling for Zoning
- EXT Request for Extension of time to construct
- ISP International Special Project (determined by the FCC)

ITC International Telecommunications

L/A Authority to launch a satellite space station

LFS Authority to access a non-U.S. satellite not currently authorized to provide the proposed service in the proposed frequencies in the United States

LIC License to operate

LOA Authority to launch and operate a satellite space station

LOI Letter of Intent to participate in a satellite space station processing round

LPN Landing Points Notification

MSC Miscellaneous filing (determined by FCC)

MOD Modification to a current license, authorization or accounting rate

NDS Request for non-dominant status

NEW New application -- use only for the 325, DNC, FCN and ROA subsystems

NOT Notification

PDR Petition for Declaratory Ruling

PPL Petition for Declaratory Ruling to be added to the

Permitted List

REG Registration of a receive-only earth station

RPL Replacement Satellite Application - no new frequency bands

RWL Renewal of license or authorization

STA Request for Special Temporary Authority

TOA Request for Special Temporary Authority for the ISP, ITC and SCL subsystems

T/C Transfer of Control

WAV Request for Waiver -- used only for the ISP, ITC, SAT and SCL subsystems

WVZ Request for Waiver of the FCC zoning regulations; used only in SAT subsystem.

3. Official Date Filed?

We consider satellite space station applications and applications for earth stations to access a non-U.S. Satellite not currently authorized to provide the proposed service in the proposed frequencies in the United States officially filed the moment you file them via IBFS. The system tracks the date and time of filing (to the millisecond). For all other applications, we consider them officially filed once you (a) file the application in IBFS and (2) the applicable filing fees are received and approved by the FCC, unless the application is determined to be fee-exempt.

4. Sequential File Number?

A sequential number is assigned by the IBFS system to a filing within a subsystem. This number is an internal tracking number for use by the Bureau.