

Introduction to Modernized Cable Operations and Licensing System (COALS)

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Introduction



- New URL: https://fccprod.servicenowservices.com/coals
- The Cable Operations and Licensing System provides for registration of cable operations and compliance with reporting requirements in 47 CFR § 76 and 78.
- Improves performance, increases security, and provides a platform for future upgrades.
- Incorporates cable Equal Employment Opportunity filings (Form 396-C)
- Cable Antenna Relay Service (CARS) filings are electronic (Form 327)

Introduction



During and after the webinar, you can direct questions to coals_help@fcc.gov

Topics to be Covered



- Introduction and Overview of Project
- Use of CORES Login and Retirement of the COALS ID
- Functional Overview
- Public Search
- Notifications / Printing Copies
- Improvements Still to Come
- Where to Get Help and Other Resources

Accessing COALS



CORES Login Replaces the Retired COALS ID.

- Log on to the system through a CORES username and password.
- FRN owners must delegate access for users to access the system and make filings.
- CORES URL: https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do includes useful tutorial videos on CORES usernames and passwords.
- All communities (CUIDs and NCIDs) and systems (PSIDs) were assigned the FRN last used to file for them.
 - To see the FRN assigned to a community, use the public search.

Accessing COALS



CORES Login Replaces the Retired COALS ID.

- Access to cable files in OPIF will require CORES username and password instead of a COALS ID beginning mid-November 2022.
- COALS IDs can no longer be updated and passwords cannot be changed.
- COALS ID will continue to be supported for the Incentive Auction Reimbursement Program until that program is complete. For assistance with the COALS ID for Reimbursement, please email reimburse@fcc.gov.

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Q Public Search

EEO Filing Portal



Cable Operations & Licensing System (COALS)

Welcome to the Federal Communications Commission's Cable Operations and Licensing System (COALS).

COALS provides filing services and public search for cable and non-cable multi-channel video programming distributors. MVPDs with obligations under 47 CFR Part 76, Part 78, and other parts of the Code of Federal Regulations will find forms, applications, and other services here.

Equal Employment Opportunity filings for cable operators are now part of COALS. For additional information, and to make required EEO filings, please select the EEO tab below.

Public Search is available via tab below.

MVPDs must log in with a CORES username and password to which authority for one or more FRNs has been delegated. COALS IDs are no longer being used. To manage CORES usernames and passwords, please visit https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do.

For additional information regarding FRNs and the CORES system, please visit https://www.fcc.gov/licensingdatabases/commission-registration-system-fcc.

For assistance with COALS, please email coals_help@fcc.gov

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Click here to start the filing process or view your dashboard



EEO Filing Portal

Click here to start the filing process or view your dashboard

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Click here to search for cable and noncable communities, systems, and filings



of conducting an investigation or other forensic analysis.

Fees

Forms

(CORES)

FCC Registration System

System Alerts & Notifications

USE OF THIS INFORMATION SYSTEM INDICATES CONSENT TO MONITORING AND RECORDING

Information system may be disclosed to law enforcement or other Federal agencies or their contractors in the course

- To register for a FCC username account, licensees should follow the instructions provided here: https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/html/Register_New_Account.htm.
- To associate the user account with an FRN, licensees should follow the instructions provided here: https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/html/Associate_Username_to_FRN.htm







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Carriage Election Notice

Provide Carriage Election Point of Contact Information

FRN Business Entity Name Entity Rep Organization Individual Entity DBA Nm

0001583244 Ziply Fiber Northwest LLC Northwest Fiber, LLC

0021519962 Spectrum Mid-America, LLC Charter Communications, Inc.

0000017640 Blue Stream Communications, LLC Blue Stream Communications

Rows 1 - 3 of 3

Functional Overview



The Dashboard provides overview of:

- FRN and current redlight status
- Forms available for filing
- Filings currently in draft status
- Filings currently awaiting payment
- All filings for the current FRN and their status
- PSIDs
- CARS Licenses
- CUIDs

Filings on the Dashboard



- Form 320 Annual Cable Signal Leakage Report
- Form 321 Aeronautical Frequency Notification
 - Tile 1 New Aeronautical Frequency Notification
 - Tile 2 New NCID Registration
 - To modify an existing AFN, to add or remove communities or to change parameters, locate the existing AFN on the dashboard and select "modify"
- Form 322 New CUID Registration
- Form 324 Operator Changes
 - Tile 1 General Operator Changes, such as name, address, status, and so on.
 - Tile 2 Merge CUIDs
 - Tile 3 Initiate a transfer of CUIDs or PSIDs. To complete the transfer, the receiving FRN will have a "draft" application waiting for them.
- Form 327 CARS Filings, including new licenses, renewals, and major and minor modifications
 - CARS Assignment of Licenses will generate a new dashboard section for the buyer, listing assignment applications ready for completion.
- CARS STA Requests

COALS Filing Tiles



Welcome, CARS External 1

Form 320

Annual Cable Signal Leakage Report Form 321

Non-cable Community Registration (New NCID) Form 321

New Aeronautical Frequency Notification Form 322

Cable Community
Registration (New CUID)

Form 324

Operator Changes

Form 324

Merge CUIDs/NCIDs

Form 324

Transfer CUIDs or NCIDs

Form 327

Cable Antenna Relay Service (CARS) License Filings

CARS 327 STA

Request Special Temporary Authority (STA) for a CARS License

CARS Assignments Awaiting Completion



327 Assignment of License Requiring Buyer Completion

CARS0001203

WCA-804 • 0003475654 • 0003475654 • Public Notice Complete • Accepted for Filing • about a month ago

CARS0001211

KD-55032 • 0004535167 • 0003475654 • Granted Completed • Granted • about a month ago

CARS0001213

KD-55032 • 0004535167 • 0003475654 • Public Notice Complete • Accepted for Filing • about a month ago

CARS0001221

KD-55033 • 0004535167 • 0003475654 • Granted Completed • Accepted for Filing • about a month ago

CARS0001235

KD-55030 • 0004535167 • 0003475654 • In Progress • • about a month ago

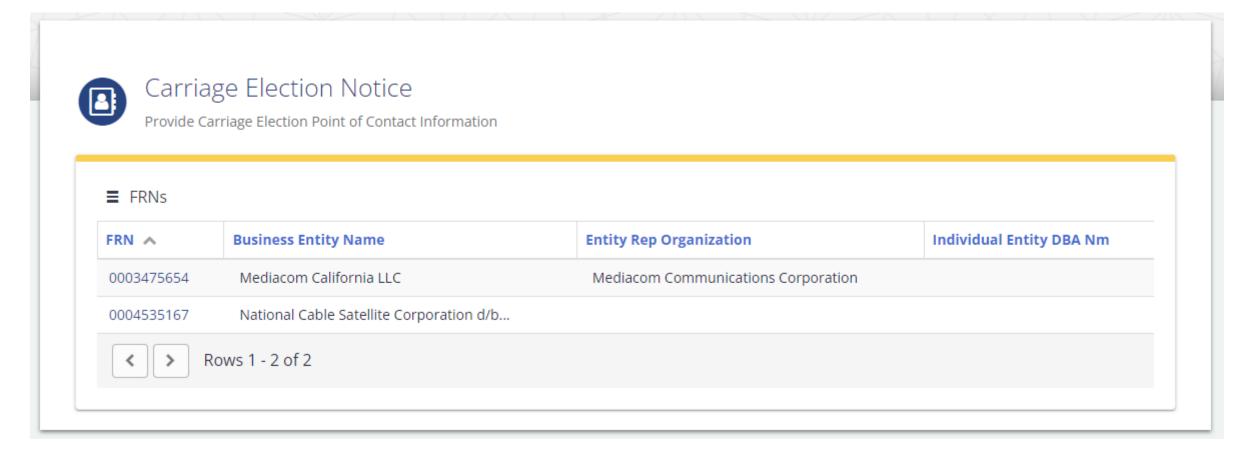
Forms that require two parties to complete – CARS assignments of license and COALS transfer of communities – will show on the second party's dashboard after the initiating party has completed their steps.

Carriage Election Notices



CEN is located on the FRN Selection Screen

• CEN Status is viewable by searching for a PSID and is automatically uploaded to OPIF.



Public Search



- Public Search is much more powerful than before.
- Search by:
 - Filings
 - Communities
 - PSID and CEN
 - CARS Licenses
 - CARS Filings
 - EEO 396-C Filings
- Select "Display Search Fields" for precise control.
- Select "Export to CSV" to download results.
- Use the "breadcrumbs" to move backward or broaden searches
- To search PSID or Communities on Cable Filings, you must use the "Keyword Search" box.

Search Options



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Cable Filings

Search through COALS for applications, application data, and attachments.

Cable Communities (CUIDs/NCIDs)

Search through COALS for information about particular cable communities (CUIDs) and non-cable communities (NCIDs).

CEN / PSIDs

Search through COALS for Carriage Election Notice contact information and information about physical systems (PSIDs).

CARS Licenses

Search through COALS for Cable Antenna Relay Service (CARS) licenses and view license parameters and statuses.

CARS Filings

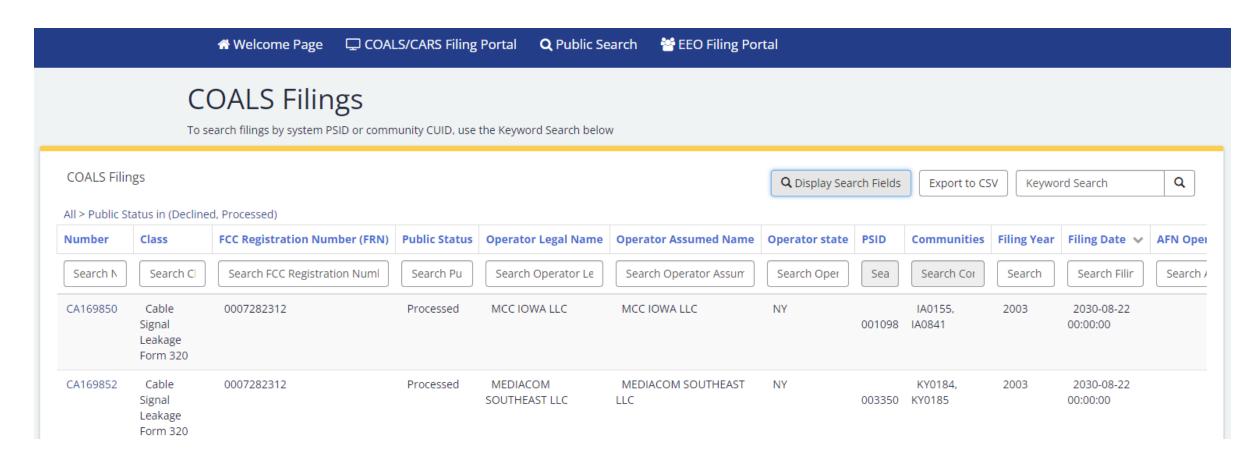
Search through COALS for Cable Antenna Relay Service (CARS) applications, including new licenses, renewals, modification, transfers and assignments.

EEO 396-C Filings

Search through COALS for Equal Employment Opportunity Form 396 filings and statuses.

Controlling Searches





Printing Documents



- Most pages will print simply by using your browser's print function.
 - For most external filings, this is the only way
- Logged in users will see a print option on most draft and final applications

"System" View to Print



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CA147572		
Cable Signal Leaka	ge Form 320	
Number	8C TOTHI 320	FCC Registration Number (FRN)
CA147572		⊙ 0003474327 ∀
Public Status		Filing Date
Processed		¥-
PSID		Filing Year
001931		2001
Communities		Legacy Test Result 10logi3000
OK0023 OK0357	DK0615	0
		Legacy Community Served
		MADILL
		Lead Community Unit (Legacy)
		⊙ OK0023 ▼
Operator Informat	ion	
Operator Legal Name		Operator Address 1
CABLE ONE INC		210 E. EARLL DRIVE
Operator Assumed Nan	ne	Operator Address 2
CABLE ONE INC		

"Print" View

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COALS Community Registration Form 322

Reference Copy OMB Control No. 3060-0310

File No.: CB20095028
Filing Status: In Progress

Payment Status: Paid

FCC Registration Number

FCC Registration Number (FRN)

0003475654

Operator Information

Operator Legal Name

test

Operator Address 1

testing@test.fcc.com

Operator state

AR

Operator Assumed Name

test

Operator City

test

Operator Zip Code

11111

Contact Information

Other Notes



Modernized COALS will undergo continuous improvement

- We continue to identify improvements as a result of feedback from the recent launch on October 18, 2022
- Modernized platform will make long term enhancements significantly easier.
- Please contact <u>coals_help@fcc.gov</u> with specific questions about the migration from the old system. To update out of date data file a Form 324 to update it.

Additional Resources are Coming

- User guides for the system will be posted to the webpage shortly.
- "Frequently Asked Questions" documents will be posted both for COALS generally and EEO specifically.
- This webinar will be made available on the FCC website and Youtube as a resource.
 - https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2022/10/webinar-using-updated-cable-operations-and-licensing-system-coals

Contact



- For help with CORES:
 - CORES Website, including tutorials: https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do
 - CORES Email: <u>COREShelp@fcc.gov</u>
- For help with COALS Assets and Filings:
 - COALS Website, including user guides and FAQ: https://fccprod.servicenowservices.com/coals
 - COALS Email: <u>coals_help@fcc.gov</u>
- For help with EEO EUIDs and Filings:
 - EEO Email: <u>EB-EEO@fcc.gov</u>
 - The EEO Filing Portal within the COALS system EEO specific help information as well.

Questions







Thank You