

UPDATE
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FCC Proposes FY 2022 Regulatory Fees

On June 2, 2022, the FCC released a [Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) seeking comment on its proposed regulatory fees for fiscal year 2022. Congress requires the FCC to annually collect regulatory fees to cover its operational costs, and the FCC sets the fees by calculating the proportion of the total number of FCC employees needed to regulate a particular service.

Proposed Regulatory Fees. The FCC has proposed the following regulatory fees:

- **2022 Cable/IPTV/DBS regulatory fee:** The FCC has proposed that all MVPDs that had subscribers as of December 31, 2021 pay \$1.15 per subscriber, a \$0.17 increase from 2021.
- **CARS licenses and permits:** The FCC has proposed that CARS facilities operating on October 1, 2021 pay \$1,705.00, even if the facility's license expired after October 1, 2021.
- **Interconnected VoIP regulatory fee:** The FCC proposes an ITSP fee of \$0.00433 for each dollar of interstate and international telecommunications revenue that a provider reports on its Form 499-A.

Filing Procedures and Window. Following adoption of its FY 2022 Fee Order (likely in August), the FCC will collect these fees during a subsequent filing window (likely in September). All licensees must use their FCC username and password to access the [CORES Registration System](#), and review, create, update, or change the fees owed. Then, each licensee must make payments electronically – online payment with a credit card, online payment from a bank account, or by sending a wire transfer. CORES will print a Form 159-E for users to transmit for wire transfers.

If you have any questions about regulatory fee payments, please contact Scott Friedman at (314) 462-9000 or sfriedman@cinnamonmueller.com.

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