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PUBLIC NOTICE

2023 Responsible Party Code (RPC) Data Validation Program: Including Stabilized Maintenance Option

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Washington, D.C. – The Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments (ACTA) announces that the Responsible Parties may now validate their Responsible Party Code (RPC) data for the 2024 calendar year. The established fee for RPC Data Validation is \$125.00. A discounted rate of \$95.00 will be in effect from October 2, 2023, through February 2, 2024. RPC Data must be validated on an **annual** basis.

The RPC Data Validation Program is processed through an online system that permits authorized filers to update and confirm RPC data on an annual basis. Responsible Party Codes that are updated will be noted by a "label" to show that the RPC data have been validated and are accurate.

Responsible Parties (RPs) may also classify qualified RPCs as "Stabilized." Stabilized RPCs will retain this qualification for the remainder of their life. To qualify for such maintenance:

- a) At least one product must have been registered under the RPC;
- b) Within the past 10 years, no products can have been registered under the RPC; and
- c) Additional product registrations under the RPC are not anticipated in the future.

The RP shall submit documentation to support the above claims to the ACTA Secretariat using the Stabilized Maintenance Form in Appendix J of the <u>ACTA Submission Guidelines V6.0</u>. The fee for Stabilized Maintenance classification is \$295.00.

An important responsibility of the ACTA is to maintain an accurate and up-to-date database of all Part 68 Telephone Terminal Equipment (TTE). The information associated with an RPC is extremely important to government agencies, such as the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the U.S. Customs Services, and to the general public. As a result, it is imperative that the information be correct, not only at the time of the initial filling, but on an ongoing basis. Inaccurate contact information associated with an RPC poses a problem not only for the FCC, U.S. Customs staff, and consumers who have questions/issues with products or company information, but also for ACTA when releasing important information regarding Part 68 compliance.

Questions and comments about this notice should be submitted to the ACTA Secretariat via Email at acta@atis.org, or by phone at +1.202.628.6380.

About ACTA

The ACTA is an open organization with a mission to: (1) adopt technical criteria for terminal equipment to prevent network harm (as defined in Section 68.3) and HAC-compliant ACS telephonic CPE through the act of publishing such criteria developed by the American National Standards Institute ("ANSI") accredited standards development organizations; and (2) establish and maintain database(s) of equipment approved as compliant with the technical criteria. ACTA is jointly sponsored by the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) and Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA). For more details about ACTA and the registration of equipment, visit: www.part68.org.