TITLE 610. STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION CHAPTER 15. EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH SUBCHAPTER 1. USE OF TOWERS, FACILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

A. Brief description of the purpose of the proposed rule.

OneNet is the comprehensive digital communications initiative of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) and is Oklahoma's research and education network. In 1992, OneNet was created with \$14 million from a \$350 million statewide capital bond issue approved by voters. OneNet was developed as a division of OSRHE and became fully operational in 1996. OneNet serves research and educational entities, governmental and tribal agencies, political subdivisions, eligible healthcare providers, and telecommunications providers consistent with the policies and procedures established by OneNet.

The amended rules update the types of organizations that OneNet can serve, identifies OneNet as the comprehensive digital communications entity operated by OSRHE, updates technology terminology, updates a reference to infrastructure engineering staff and removes references to OneNet as a telecommunications network. The purpose of the updates to the types of organizations OneNet can serve is to provide greater clarity and make regulatory language consistent with OneNet's current practices.

B. Description of the classes of persons who most likely will be affected by the proposed rule, including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule, and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from any private or public entities.

The proposed rule changes will affect the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education. These rules are not anticipated to create additional costs for affected classes. No information on cost impacts has been received from any private or public entities.

C. Description of the classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rule.

The proposed rule changes will benefit the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

D. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and, whenever possible, a separate justification for each fee change.

The proposed rules should have a neutral economic impact and do not involve fee changes.

E. Probable costs and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule, the source of revenue to be used for implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule, and any anticipated effect on state revenues, including a projected net loss or gain in such revenues if it can be projected by the agency.

An "agency" under the Administrative Procedures Act includes, but is not limited to, "any constitutionally or statutorily created state board, bureau, commission, office, authority, public trust in which the state is a beneficiary, or interstate commission...." 75 O.S. § 250.3. The proposed rule changes will benefit the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education by bringing its administrative rules and its internal policies into alignment.

F. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rule.

A "political subdivision" is defined as "a county, city, incorporated town or school district within this state" under the Administrative Procedures Act. 75 O.S. § 250.3. The proposed rules are not expected to have an economic impact on any political subdivisions and will not require their cooperation for implementing or enforcing these rules.

G. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rule will have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

After consideration with reference to Section 303(A)(4) and 303(B)(6) of Title 75, it is believed that the proposed rules will have no adverse impact upon Small Business.

H. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance costs and a determination of whether there are less costly or non-regulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule.

These rules are not anticipated to create additional compliance costs.

I. Determination of the effect of the proposed rule on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rule is designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rule will reduce the risk.

The proposed rules will have no effect on the public health, safety, and environment.

J. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rule is not implemented.

No effect on the public health, safety, or the environment will result if the proposed rules are not implemented.

K. Date the rule impact statement was prepared and if modified, the date modified.

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