

**TITLE 610. STATE REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
CHAPTER 15. EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH**

RULEMAKING ACTION:

Notice of proposed PERMANENT rulemaking

PROPOSED RULES:

Subchapter 1. Use of Towers, Facilities and Communications Services

610:15-1-1. Purpose [AMENDED]

610:15-1-2. Towers and facilities use [AMENDED]

610:15-1-3. Communications services use [AMENDED]

SUMMARY:

OneNet is the comprehensive digital communications initiative of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and 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 the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (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.

AUTHORITY:

Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education; 70 O.S. § 3206

COMMENT PERIOD:

Interested persons may submit written comments to Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, cturner@osrhe.edu, by 5:00 p.m., December 15, 2023.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(B)(9), "persons may demand a hearing" by contacting Chris Turner Jr., Associate General Counsel, Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, 405-225-9289, cturner@osrhe.edu, by 5:00 p.m., December 15, 2023.

REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Chris Turner Jr. at the above email or mailing address during the period from November 15, 2023 to December 15, 2023.

COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:

Copies of the proposed rules will be made available at the office of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, 655 Research Parkway, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, OK 73104, and on the agency's website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before November 15, 2023.

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement will be made available on the agency's website at <https://www.okhighered.org> on or before November 30, 2023.

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