

notices and a bidder information package will provide upfront payment information and specific terms and conditions concerning the auction.

Bidder Alerts

- The FCC does not approve any individual investment proposal, nor does it provide a warranty with respect to any license being auctioned. Potential applicants and investors are reminded that winning a license in an FCC spectrum auction is not a guarantee of success in the marketplace.

- The FCC makes no representations or warranties about the use of spectrum for particular services. Applicants should be aware that an FCC auction represents an opportunity to become an FCC licensee, subject to certain conditions and regulations. An FCC auction does not constitute an endorsement by the FCC of any particular services, technologies, or products, nor does an FCC license constitute a guarantee of business success. Applicants should perform their individual due diligence before proceeding, as they would with any new business venture.

- The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has found that some unscrupulous individuals have designed investment schemes around licenses auctioned or to be auctioned by the FCC. If you have an inquiry or complaint about a specific investment offering, call the National Fraud Information Center, 1-800-876-7060, or visit that organization's Internet web site at www.fraud.org. You also may contact your state attorney general or state corporations office. The FTC and the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) receive complaints on investment fraud and offer consumer education materials. Contact the FTC at 202-326-3128 or visit its Internet web site at www.ftc.gov. Contact the SEC at 202-942-7040 or visit its Internet web site at www.sec.gov.

- Potential applicants should also be aware of pending rulemaking proceeding in which the FCC is considering changes to many of the auction rules, including attribution of gross revenues of investors in and affiliates of small businesses and whether to continue to permit small businesses to pay for licenses won in installment payments. See Amendment of Part 1 of the Commission's Rules—Competitive Bidding Proceeding. WT Docket No. 97-82, *Order, Memorandum Opinion and Order and Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, 12 FCC Rcd 5686 (1997). Changes also recently have been adopted with respect to foreign ownership of U.S. telecommunications

facilities. See Rules and Policies on Foreign Participation in the U.S. Telecommunications Market, IB Docket No. 97-142, Market Entry and Regulation of Foreign-Affiliated Entities, IB Docket No. 95-22, *Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration*, FCC 97-398, 62 FR 64741, (released December 9, 1997) Potential applicants should also be aware of pending petitions for reconsideration of the *GWCS Second Report and Order*, decisions on which can be expected in the next few months. In addition, potential applicants should be aware of government operations in adjacent frequency bands and in certain geographic areas that need to be taken into account by commercial operations in the 4600-4685 Mhz band. The FCC is working with the Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration to release information regarding these government operations, which will be provided in a later public notice. Finally, potential applicants should be aware that when FCC licenses are subject to auction (i.e., because they are mutually exclusive) the recently enacted Balanced Budget Act of 1997 calls upon the FCC to prescribe methods by which a reasonable reserve price will be required or a minimum opening bid established, unless the FCC determines that a reserve price or minimum bid is not in the public interest. See Section 3002(a), Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Public Law 105-33, 111 Stat. 251 (1997); 47 U.S.C. Section 309(j)(4)(F). The FCC's authority to establish a reserve price or minimum opening bid is set forth in 47 CFR 1.2104(c) and (d).

For further information, contact Kathy Garland, Lisa Hartigan, or LaVonia Connelly, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0660.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2252]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceedings

January 28, 1998.

Petitions for reconsideration and clarification have been filed in the Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and

published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of these documents are available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc. (202) 857-3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed February 19, 1998. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rule (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions has expired.

Subject: Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Anamosa and Asbury, Iowa) (MM Docket No. 96-215, RM-8898 and 8924).

Number of Petitions Filed: 1.

Subject: Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Lockport and Amherst, New York) (MM Docket No. 96-240, RM-8846, RM-9010).

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Notice of Field Testing of Improved System for Public Assistance Grants

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) gives notice that it will field test a new delivery system for public assistance infrastructure grants between March 1 and August 31. Public assistance grants are awarded under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* These grants are awarded to supplement community assets in the recovery of State, local and eligible private non-profit infrastructure when the President determines that an emergency or major disaster exists. The proposed changes in the processing system do not constitute a change in benefits under the law or regulation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward A. Thomas, National Pilot Team, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington D.C. 20472, 301-209-4862.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 1998.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and