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## AUCTION OF REGIONAL NARROWBAND PCS LICENSES SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

## **Reminder: Pre-Auction Seminar July 31, 2003**

A free FCC pre-auction seminar for the Regional Narrowband PCS Auction (Auction No. 51) is scheduled for Thursday, July 31, 2003. Interested parties should pre-register by July 29, 2003, using the attached form or by calling the FCC. The seminar will be held at the Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W., Commission Meeting Room, Washington, D.C., beginning at 10:00 a.m. ET.

The following is a timeline of the important events prior to the auction start date:

Deadline to register for Pre-Auction Seminar:	July 29, 2003
Auction Seminar	July 31, 2003
Short-Form (FCC Form 175) Filing Window Opens	July 31, 2003; 12:00 p.m. ET
Short-Form (FCC Form 175) Application Deadline	August 8, 2003; 6:00 p.m. ET
Upfront Payments (via wire transfer)	August 26, 2003; 6:00 p.m. ET
Mock Auction	September 17 and 18, 2003
Auction Begins	September 24, 2003

Potential bidders in the auction are strongly encouraged to attend. This seminar provides an opportunity for hands-on demonstrations of the FCC filing and bidding systems, as well as access to the FCC staff responsible for the Regional Narrowband PCS licensing and auction conduct procedures. It is also advised that attendees review all public notices released for this auction prior to the seminar.

To register for the seminar, please contact the FCC's Auctions Hotline at (888)-225-5322, Press Option #2, or directly at (717) 338-2888. For further information, please contact Lisa Stover of the Auctions Operations Branch at (717) 338-2888, or for press inquiries, Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654.

## FCC AUCTION SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

## Auction No. 51

The FCC will sponsor a one-day seminar for Auction No. 51 applicants. The seminar is free of charge and will provide information about pre-auction procedures, service and auction rules, conduct of the auction, and the FCC Automated Auction System.

Representatives from each company may attend on a reservation basis, first-come first-served until room capacity is filled. The seminar will be held:

Thursday, July 31, 2003 Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554 Registration 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Seminar 10:00 a.m. – 2 p.m. If hotel accommodations are needed, please contact 1-888-225-5322 (option #2) for a list of hotels in the area.

> To register, complete the form below and return no later than Tuesday, July 29, 2003, by fax to:

> > FCC Auction 51 Auctions Operations Branch 1270 Fairfield Road Gettysburg, PA 17325-7245

> > > FAX: 717-338-2850 Phone: 717-338-2888

I/We will attend the Auction No. 51 seminar, scheduled for Thursday, July 31, 2003.

Name of attendee:

Name of attendee:

Company name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:\_\_\_\_\_Fax:\_\_\_\_