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# AUCTION OF MULTICHANNEL VIDEO DISTRIBUTION AND DATA SERVICE LICENSES SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 14, 2004 

## Reminder: Pre-Auction Seminar October 29, 2003

A free FCC pre-auction seminar for the Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service Auction (Auction No. 53) is scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, 2003. Interested parties should pre-register by October 27, 2003, using the attached form or by calling the FCC. The seminar will be held at the Federal Communications Commission, $44512^{\text {th }}$ Street S.W., Room 1-B516, 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:

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& \text { Deadline to register for Pre-Auction Seminar: ..............October 27, } 2003 \\
& \text { Auction Seminar ............................................................October 29, } 2003 \\
& \text { Short-Form (FCC Form 175) Filing Window Opens ....October 29, 2003; 12:00 p.m. ET } \\
& \text { Short-Form (FCC Form 175) Application Deadline ....November 12, 2003; 6:00 p.m. ET } \\
& \text { Upfront Payments (via wire transfer) ...........................December 8, 2003; 6:00 p.m. ET } \\
& \text { Mock Auction ...............................................................January 9, } 2004 \\
& \text { Auction Begins ................................................................January 14, } 2004
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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 Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service licensing and auction conduct procedures. It is also advised that attendees review all public notices released for this auction prior to the seminar. For potential bidders who are unable to attend, an archived recording of the seminar may be viewed at the Auction No. 53 Home Page at http://wireless.fcc.gov/auctions/53 by clicking on the MVDDS Auction Seminar link.

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 Barbara Sibert of the Auctions Operations Branch at (717) 338-2888, or for press inquiries, Chelsea Fallon at (202) 418-7991.

## FCC AUCTION SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Auction No. 53

The FCC will sponsor a one-day seminar for Auction No. 53 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. The seminar will be held:

Wednesday, October 29, 2003
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room 1-B516
Washington, DC 20554
Registration 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
Seminar 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
If hotel accommodations are needed
Please contact 1-888-225-5322 (option \#2) for a list of hotels in the area
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To register, complete the form below and
return no later than
Monday, October 27, 2003, by fax to:
FCC Auction 53
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. 53 Seminar, scheduled for Wednesday, October 29, 2003.

Name of attendee: $\qquad$
Name of attendee: $\qquad$
Company name: $\qquad$
Company address: $\qquad$
Phone: $\qquad$ Fax: $\qquad$

