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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES IT IS PREPARED TO GRANT LOWER 700 MHZ BAND LICENSES UPON FULL AND TIMELY PAYMENT

AUCTION EVENT NO. 44

Report No. AUC-44 (Auction No. 44)

On September 18, 2002, the Federal Communications Commission completed the auction of 740 licenses in the 700 MHz C and D blocks. After a preliminary review of the FCC long-form applications (FCC Form 601), the application listed in Attachment A to the September 20, 2002 Public Notice was accepted for filing.²

By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau announces that it is prepared to grant the application for the licenses listed in Attachment A to this Public Notice, upon the full and timely payment of the remaining balance of the applicant's winning bid. Such payment must be received by the Commission within ten (10) business days after the date of this Public Notice (*i.e.* by **April 2, 2004**). See 47 C.F.R. § 1.2109(a). If the winning bidder fails to pay the balance of its winning bid in a lump sum by **April 2, 2004**, it may pay the remaining balance within ten (10) business days after the payment deadline (*i.e.* by **April 16, 2004**), provided that it also pays a late fee equal to five percent of the amount due. See 47 C.F.R. § 1.2109(a).

If the winning bidder listed in Attachment A fails to pay the balance of its winning bid by the late payment deadline of **April 16, 2004**, it will be in default and subject to applicable default payments. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2104(g), 1.2109(c). Such applicant will be assessed default penalties as prescribed by sections 1.2104(g) and 1.2109(c) of the Commission's rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2104(g), 1.2109(c).

¹ See Lower 700 MHz Band Auction Closes; Winning Bidders Announced, Public Notice, 17 FCC Rcd 17272 (2002).

² See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for Lower 700 MHz Band Are Accepted for Filing, Auction Event No. 44, *Public Notice*, 17 FCC Rcd 22329 (2002).

Payment Instructions

All payments must be made in U.S. currency in the form of a wire transfer. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.2107(b). No personal checks, cashier's checks or other forms of payment will be accepted.

Wire transfer payments must be received by Mellon Bank no later than 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time, April 2, 2004 (or 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time, April 16, 2004, along with the five percent late fee). The applicant should allow sufficient time for the wire transfer to be initiated and for the transmission to be completed prior to the deadline. To submit funds by wire, the applicant will need the following information to properly effect the transmittal:

ABA ROUTING NUMBER: 043000261 RECEIVING BANK: Mellon Pittsburgh BNF: FCC Account Number 911-6106

OBI Field: (Skip one space between each information item) "AUCTIONPAY"

APPLICANT'S FRN NO.: (same as FCC Form 159, Block 21)

PAYMENT TYPE CODE: (enter "A44D")

FCC CODE 1: (same as FCC Form 159, Block 28A: "44")

PAYOR NAME: (same as FCC Form 159, Block 2)

LOCKBOX NO.: 358850

Payments must be preceded by a completed FCC Remittance Advice Form (FCC Form 159). On the same business day that the applicant pays the balance due to Mellon Bank, the applicant must fax a completed FCC Form 159 to Mellon Bank at (412) 209-6045 at least one hour prior to placing the order for the wire transfer. On the FCC Form 159, the applicant must use the same FRN used on its FCC Form 601.

When completing FCC Form 159 (February 2003 Version), the applicant must type the auction number, "44," in Block 28A ("FCC Code 1"). The applicant also must type the applicable license number in Block 29A ("FCC Code 2") of FCC Form 159. The license number should be identified by typing "WZ" (radio service code), followed by the market designator (EAG or CMA), followed by the market number (000-734), and the frequency block (blocks C and D). An example of a correct license number would be "WZEAG001D" or "WZCMA078C." The radio service code, market designator, market number, and frequency block designations are listed in Attachment A.

Further information

For questions regarding the calculation and submission of final payment, the FCC Form 159 and refunds, contact Gail Glasser or Tim Dates, Office of the Managing Director, Financial Operations Center, Auctions Accounting Group, at (202) 418-0578.

For questions regarding legal matters and licensing issues, contact Evan Baranoff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Mobility Division, at (202) 418-7142.

The news media should contact Lauren Patrich, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-7944.

This Public Notice contains the following Attachments:

Attachment A: List of Application the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau is Prepared to Grant.

Attachment B: Instructions for Searching for Application Listed in Attachment A using ULS.

Attachment C: Instructions for Accessing the FCC Network Using Windows 95/98.