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## WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES THE GRANT OF 10 AUTOMATED MARITIME TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM LICENSES

### AUCTION EVENT NO. 57

#### Report No. AUC-05-57-G (Auction No. 57)

On September 15, 2004, the Federal Communications Commission completed the auction of 20 licenses in the Automated Maritime Telecommunications System ("AMTS") spectrum ("Auction No. 57").<sup>1</sup> In that auction, four winning bidders won a total of 10 licenses. On November 28, 2004, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) announced that, based upon initial review of the long-form applications, the applications of winning bidders in Auction No. 57 were accepted for filing.<sup>2</sup> Upon further review and examination, the applications listed in the Attachment below have been found to be complete and in conformance with the Commission's Rules.<sup>3</sup> In Auction No. 57, all winning bidders' upfront payment amounts are sufficient to satisfy their total winning bids. Accordingly, on April 26, 2005, we granted the 10 licenses listed in the Attachment. We granted these licenses pursuant to Section 309(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 309(a), and Section 0.331 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.331, because it will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

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<sup>1</sup> See Automated Maritime Telecommunications System Spectrum Auction Closes: Winning Bidders Announced, *Public Notice*, 19 FCC Rcd 18252 (WTB 2004) (*Auction Closing PN*).

<sup>2</sup> See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for Automated Maritime Telecommunications System Licenses Are Accepted for Filing, *Public Notice*, 19 FCC Rcd 22067 (WTB 2004).

<sup>3</sup> On April 21, 2005, the Bureau denied a Petition for Reconsideration and a Motion for Stay filed by Paging Systems, Inc. (PSI) on October 14, 2004, that sought to have the Bureau reconsider an order, unwind Auction No. 57, and stay the post-auction processing procedure until the Petition is resolved. See Petition for Reconsideration and Motion for Stay of Paging Systems, Inc., *Order*, DA 05-1099 (WTB rel. Apr. 21, 2005). On April 22, 2005, the Bureau's Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division denied a petition filed on November 22, 2004 by Warren C. Havens, AMTS Consortium, Telesaurus-VPC, LLC, and Telesaurus Holdings GB LLC to deny PSI's long-form application. See Paging Systems, Inc., *Order*, DA 05-1119 (WTB PSCID rel. Apr. 22, 2005).

Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-7944. For questions regarding legal matters and licensing issues, contact Scot Stone, Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0638 or via e-mail at [Scot.Stone@fcc.gov](mailto:Scot.Stone@fcc.gov).

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<b>Applicant Name</b>	<b>File Number</b>	<b>Market, Market Description</b>	<b>Channel Block</b>	<b>Call Sign</b>
AMTS Consortium, LLC	0001889684*	AMT001, Northern Atlantic	B	WQCP810
AMTS Consortium, LLC	0001889684*	AMT002, Mid-Atlantic	B	WQCP811
AMTS Consortium, LLC	0001889684*	AMT003, Southern Atlantic	B	WQCP812
AMTS Consortium, LLC	0001889684*	AMT009, Alaska	B	WQCP813
AMTS Consortium, LLC	0001889684*	AMT010, Mountain	B	WQCP814
Kurian, Thomas K.	0001885949	AMT010, Mountain	A	WQCP809
Paging Systems, Inc.	0001883916	AMT005, Great Lakes	B	WQCP808
Telesaurus-VPC, LLC	0001889668*	AMT004, Mississippi River	B	WQCP815
Telesaurus-VPC, LLC	0001889668*	AMT006, Southern Pacific	B	WQCP816
Telesaurus-VPC, LLC	0001889668*	AMT007, Northern Pacific	B	WQCP817

\* These applications indicated that the applicant intended to seek a bidding credit for serving a qualifying tribal land within the relevant market. However, neither applicant amended its application within 180 days after the filing deadline for long-form applications to attach the requisite certification from the tribal government, as required by 47 C.F.R. § 1.2110(f)(ii)(A). *See also, e.g., Auction Closing PN*, 19 FCC Rcd at 18270. (Long-form applications were due October 1, 2004, so tribal lands certifications were due March 30, 2005.) Consequently, while the applications were granted, the applicants did not receive a tribal lands bidding credit.