DA 13-2033

October 21, 2013

**AUCTION FOR H BLOCK LICENSES IN THE 1915-1920 MHz AND 1995-2000 MHz BANDS RESCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 22, 2014**

**NOTICE OF CHANGES TO AUCTION 96 SCHEDULE FOLLOWING RESUMPTION OF NORMAL COMMISSION OPERATIONS**

**AU Docket No. 13****-178**

1. By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (“Bureau”) announces that the auction of licenses in the 1915-1920 MHz and 1995 MHz-2000 MHz bands (“H Block”), which is designated as Auction 96, will commence on January 22, 2014. This Public Notice also revises the previously-announced schedule of pre-auction deadlines for Auction 96.[[1]](#footnote-2)
2. These schedule changes are necessary to give potential bidders and Commission staff additional time for planning and preparation for Auction 96 upon the resumption of regular Commission operations.[[2]](#footnote-3) Auction 96 will now begin on January 22, 2014, and short-form applications to participate in the auction will be due prior to 6:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on November 15, 2013. All other procedures, terms and requirements as set out in the *Auction 96 Procedures Public Notice* remain unchanged.
3. The following dates and deadlines will now apply to Auction 96:

Auction Tutorial Available (via Internet) November 4, 2013

Short-Form Application (FCC Form 175)

Filing Window Opens November 4, 2013; 12:00 noon ET

Short-Form Application (FCC Form 175)

Filing Window Deadline November 15, 2013; 6:00 p.m. ET

Upfront Payments (via wire transfer) Deadline December 18, 2013; 6:00 p.m. ET

Mock Auction January 17, 2014

Auction Begins January 22, 2014

1. For further information, contact Valerie Barrish of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Auctions and Spectrum Access Division at (202) 418‑0660. To request materials in accessible formats (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format) for people with disabilities, send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418‑0530 or (202) 418‑0432 (TTY).

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1. On September 13, 2013, the Bureau established the procedures that will apply to Auction 96 and set the applicable dates and deadlines for the auction. Auction of H Block Licenses in the 1915-1920 MHz and 1995 MHz-2000 MHz Bands Scheduled for January 14, 2014; Notice and Filing Requirements, Reserve Price, Minimum Opening Bids, Upfront Payments, and Other Procedures for Auction 96, *Public Notice*, AU Docket No. 13-178, DA 13-1885, 28 FCC Rcd 1103 (2013)(“*Auction 96 Procedures Public Notice*”). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Regular Commission operations were suspended for a 16-day period from October 1 through October 16, 2013, due to a Government-wide lapse in funding. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)