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## WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU GRANTS AWS-3 LICENSES IN THE 1755-1780 MHZ AND 2155-2180 MHZ BANDS

Auction No. 97

## Report No. AUC-97 (Auction No. 97)

On January 29, 2015, the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") completed an auction of Advanced Wireless Service licenses in the 1695-1710 MHz, 1755-1780 MHz and 2155-2180 MHz bands (collectively, the "AWS-3" bands). This auction, which was designated Auction 97, raised (in net bids) a total of \$41,329,673,325, with 31 winning bidders winning a total of 1,611 licenses.<sup>1</sup> After a preliminary review of the FCC long-form applications (FCC Form 601), 30 applications were accepted for filing.<sup>2</sup> Eleven applications were granted on April 8, 2015.<sup>3</sup>

Upon further review and examination, the applications listed in Attachment A have been found to be complete and in conformance with the Commission's rules. Furthermore, the Commission has received full payment, as required by Section 1.2109(a) of its rules, for the licenses listed in Attachment A,<sup>4</sup> there are no petitions to deny or other requests pending that would prevent grant of these licenses, and we find that granting the applications listed in Attachment A serves the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

<sup>3</sup> Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Grants AWS-3 Licenses in the 1755-1780 MHz and 2155-2180 MHz Bands, *Public Notice*, DA 15-432 (WTB rel. Apr. 8, 2015).

<sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.2109(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Auction of Advanced Wireless Services (AWS-3) Closes; Winning Bidders Announced for Auction 97, *Public Notice*, DA 15-131 (WTB rel. Jan. 30, 2015).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for AWS-3 Licenses in the 1755-1780 MHz and 2155-2180 MHz Bands are Accepted for Filing, *Public Notice*, DA 15-302 (WTB rel. Mar. 10, 2015); Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for AWS-3 Licenses in the 1695-1710 MHz, 1755-1780 MHz and 2155-2180 MHz Bands are Accepted for Filing, *Public Notice*, DA 15-503 (WTB rel. Apr. 29, 2015) (collectively, the *AFF Public Notices*). Subsequent public notices will announce the grant of other pending applications listed on the *AFF Public Notices*, as well as the acceptance for filing of the one pending long-form application not included on the *AFF Public Notices*.

Accordingly, by this Public Notice, we announce the grant of the licenses listed in Attachment A. We grant these licenses pursuant to Section 309(a) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 309(a), and Sections 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.131, 0.331, because it will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

This Public Notice includes two attachments:

- Attachment A: Auction 97 Applications and Corresponding Licenses Granted on August 24, 2015 – Sorted by Licensee
- Attachment A1: Auction 97 Applications and Corresponding Licenses Granted on August 24, 2015 – Sorted by Market.

Please contact Genevieve Ross, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Broadband Division, (202) 418-1305 or <u>genevieve.ross@fcc.gov</u> for questions regarding legal matters or licensing issues.

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