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USER GUIDE AVAILABLE FOR THE CORES INCENTIVE AUCTION FINANCIAL MODULE

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1. By this Public Notice, the Office of Managing Director and the Incentive Auction Task Force announce the availability of the “CORES Incentive Auction Financial Module User Guide,” which describes the features of the web-based Commission Registration System (CORES) Incentive Auction Financial Module (Financial Module). Full power and Class A broadcasters and multichannel video programming distributors (MVPDs) who anticipate receiving incentive and/or reimbursement payment(s) following the incentive auction (collectively, Payment Applicants) must use the Financial Module to submit bank account information electronically to facilitate the disbursement of payments in connection with the incentive auction.¹

2. The user guide is available in electronic form under the "Education" tab on the "Resources" page of the incentive auction website (<https://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/fcc-initiatives/incentive-auctions/resources#education>), as well as on the FCC Registration Help page (<https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/publicHome.do?help=true>). The user guide will remain available and accessible on those websites for reference.

3. For additional information related to the Financial Module, contact the updated CORES system hotline at (202) 418-4120 or CORESHelpDesk@fcc.gov.

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¹ As described in the *Auction 1000 Financial Procedures Public Notice*, a Payment Applicant must submit payment instructions for each station (Facility ID) or MVPD (File Number) for which it anticipates receiving a payment in connection with the incentive auction through a two-step process to reduce the risk of error or fraud. Prior to submitting bank account information electronically in the Financial Module, a Payment Applicant must first submit a signed and notarized FCC Form 1875 (for reverse auction winning bidders) or FCC Form 1876 (for reassigned stations and MVPDs), along with a bank account verification letter or redacted bank statement that confirms ownership of the bank account, for each Facility ID/File Number receiving an incentive payment or reimbursement payment. See generally *Procedures for Submitting Financial Information Required for the Disbursement of Incentive Payments and Reimbursement Payments After the Incentive Auction Closes*, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 2003 (MB/WTB 2017) (*Auction 1000 Financial Procedures Public Notice*).