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BIDDING SYSTEM USER GUIDE, ONLINE TUTORIAL, AND FILE FORMATS AVAILABLE FOR THE RURAL DIGITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND PHASE I AUCTION (AUCTION 904)

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- 1. By this Public Notice, the Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force, the Office of Economics and Analytics (OEA), and the Wireline Competition Bureau (WCB) announce the availability of educational materials for the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I Auction (Auction 904). We release this information now in order to enable prospective auction bidders to continue familiarizing themselves with the auction process. These materials—a bidding system user guide, online tutorial, and file formats document—are available in the Education section of the Auction 904 website (www.fcc.gov/auction/904).
- 2. The "Auction 904 Bidding System User Guide" describes the features of the bidding system that will be used to bid in the auction and provides detailed instructions for bidding and viewing the round results.
- 3. The online tutorial provides information about the bidding procedures for the auction, as well as how the Auction 904 bidding system reflects those procedures. The tutorial allows viewers to navigate the presentation outline, review written notes, and listen to an audio recording of the notes. Additional features of this web-based tool include links to auction-specific Commission releases, email links for contacting Commission auction staff, and screen shots of the bidding system for Auction 904.
- 4. Qualified bidders in the auction will have access through the bidding system to certain detailed information related to the results of bidding.¹ The file formats document provides, for each data file that will be made available in the bidding system, an overall description of the file, the data fields that are included (with definitions of the data elements in each field), the data types, examples, and notes.
- 5. For further information about the bidding system user guide, the online tutorial, or the data file formats, email <u>auction904@fcc.gov</u> or contact the FCC Auctions Hotline at (717) 338-2868.

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¹ Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I Auction Scheduled for October 29, 2020; Notice and Filing Requirements and Other Procedures for Auction 904, AU Docket No. 20-34, WC Docket Nos. 19-126 & 10-90, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 6077, 6161-62, paras. 278-79 (2020).