



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## **WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU GRANTS AUCTION 103 UPPER MICROWAVE FLEXIBLE USE SERVICE LICENSES**

### **Auction No. 103**

On March 5, 2020, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) completed the auction of flexible-use licenses in the Upper 37 GHz Band, 39 GHz Band, and 47 GHz Band (Auction 103), and it announced the results on March 12, 2020.<sup>1</sup> This auction raised a total of \$7,558,703,201 in net bids (\$7,569,983,122 in gross bids), with 28 bidders winning a total of 14,142 licenses.<sup>2</sup> Based on these bids, the incentive payments for existing licensees total \$3,084,172,898, and the net proceeds for the auction total \$4,474,530,303.<sup>3</sup> Long-form applications (FCC Form 601) of certain winning bidders were accepted for filing on April 30, 2020, and applications of additional winning bidders were accepted for filing on May 28, 2020.<sup>4</sup>

Upon further review and examination, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) finds the applications for the licenses listed in Attachment A to be complete and in conformance with the

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<sup>1</sup> *Incentive Auction of Upper Microwave Flexible Use Service Licenses in the Upper 37 GHz, 39 GHz, and 47 GHz Bands for Next-Generation Wireless Services Closes*, AU Docket No. 19-59, Public Notice, DA 20-253 (Mar. 12, 2020).

<sup>2</sup> “Gross bids” refers to the total amount of winning bids at the close of bidding and does not reflect any small business or rural service provider bidding credits claimed by eligible winning bidders. “Net bids” refers to the total amount of winning bids as adjusted for any small business or rural service provider bidding credits claimed by winning bidders.

<sup>3</sup> See *Incentive Auction of Upper Microwave Flexible Use Service Licenses in the Upper 37 GHz, 39 GHz, and 47 GHz Bands for Next-Generation Wireless Services; Notice and Filing Requirements, Minimum Opening Bids, Upfront Payments, and Other Procedures for Auction 103; Bidding in Auction 103 Scheduled to Begin December 10, 2019*, Public Notice, 34 FCC Rcd 5532, 5584-85, paras. 164-66 (2019); *Notice of Updated 39 GHz Reconfiguration Procedures; Preparation for Incentive Auction of Upper Microwave Flexible Use Service Licenses in the 37 GHz, 39 GHz, and 47 GHz Bands (Auction 103); Order of Modification*, Public Notice, 34 FCC Rcd 2952 (WTB/OEA 2019).

<sup>4</sup> Specifically, 21 FCC long-form applications were accepted for filing on April 30, 2020. *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for Auction 103 Licenses are Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, DA 20-461 (WTB Apr. 30, 2020). An additional 7 FCC long-form applications were accepted for filing on May 28, 2020. *Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces that Applications for Auction 103 Licenses are Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, DA 20-560 (WTB May 28, 2020). Initial review of the long-form applications of remaining winning bidders in Auction 103 is ongoing. Subsequent public notices will announce the acceptance for filing and action taken on these long-form applications.

Commission's rules, and no petitions to deny these applications were filed.<sup>5</sup> We find that granting the applications for the licenses listed in Attachment A serves the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Furthermore, the Commission has received full payment for the licenses listed in Attachment A, as required by Section 1.2109(a) of its rules.<sup>6</sup> 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.

We remind licensees that they should review all Commission orders and public notices establishing rules and policies for the Upper 37 GHz Band, 39 GHz Band, and 47 GHz Band.<sup>7</sup> Each licensee is solely responsible for complying with all FCC rules and regulations associated with these licenses.

This Public Notice includes two attachments:

Attachment A – Upper 37, 39, and 47 GHz UMFUS Licenses Granted – Sorted by Licensee

Attachment B – Upper 37, 39, and 47 GHz UMFUS Licenses Granted – Sorted by Market Number

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<sup>5</sup> Review of applications that previously were accepted for filing, but are not listed in Attachment A, is ongoing.

<sup>6</sup> 47 CFR § 1.2109(a).

<sup>7</sup> See generally *Use of Spectrum Bands Above 24 GHz For Mobile Radio Services et al.*, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 31 FCC Rcd 8014 (2016); Second Report and Order, Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Order on Reconsideration, and Memorandum Opinion and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 10988 (2017); Third Report and Order, Memorandum Opinion and Order, and Third Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 33 FCC Rcd 5576 (2018).