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INSTRUCTIONS AND TUTORIAL AVAILABLE FOR SHORT-FORM APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN AUCTION 904

SHORT-FORM FILING WINDOW SCHEDULED TO OPEN ON JULY 1, 2020

AU Docket No. 20-34

The Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force, Wireline Competition Bureau, and the Office of Economics and Analytics today release instructions for completing the short-form application (FCC Form 183) for entities seeking to participate in Auction 904 (Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I).¹ The instructions are available on the Auction 904 website (www.fcc.gov/auction/904) under the Education tab.

When filling out FCC Form 183, it is essential that an applicant closely follow these instructions as well as the short-form application procedures set forth in the *Auction 904 Procedures Public Notice*. Among other things, the instructions indicate how an applicant can select the specific state(s) in which it wishes to bid, choose the performance tier and latency combination(s) on which it wishes to bid in its selected state(s), submit operational and financial information demonstrating that it can meet the public interest obligations associated with the performance tier and latency combination(s) for which it intends to bid, disclose auction-related agreements, and provide information regarding its ownership structure.

In addition, an online tutorial is now available to assist applicants in completing their short-form applications.² This tutorial is accessible on the Auction 904 website through a link under the Education tab.

Finally, we remind potential applicants that additional guidance, data, and information related to Auction 904 is also available on the Auction 904 website: www.fcc.gov/auction/904.³

¹ See *Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I Auction Scheduled for October 29, 2020; Notice and Filing Requirements and Other Procedures for Auction 904*, Public Notice, FCC 20-77 (June 11, 2020) (*Auction 904 Procedures Public Notice*). The FCC Form 183 filing window will open at 12:00 noon Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) on July 1, 2020, and close at 6:00 p.m. EDT on July 15, 2020. FCC Form 183 will be available when the filing window opens.

² See *Auction 904 Procedures Public Notice* at 66-67, paras. 191-93.

³ Typically, the Commission makes paper copies of documents available at its headquarters. However, the Commission's headquarters is currently closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

For further information concerning the filing instructions or tutorial, email auction904@fcc.gov or contact the FCC Auctions Hotline at (717) 338-2868.

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