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## COMMISSION REGISTRATION SYSTEM (CORES) IS OPEN FOR PAYMENT OF FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2022 REGULATORY FEES

## FY 2022 REGULATORY FEES ARE DUE SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

On September 2, 2022, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) released *Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 2022*, Report and Order and Notice of Inquiry, FCC 22-68 (*FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Report and Order*). This document is available for viewing at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/regfees">http://www.fcc.gov/regfees</a>. **Regulatory fee payments must be received by the Commission no later than 11:59 PM, Eastern Daylight Time, on September 28, 2022.** While FY 2022 regulatory fees will not become effective until the rulemaking is published in the Federal Register, regulatees, at their own discretion, may submit payments at any time before the FY 2022 regulatory fees due date.

In December 2021, the Commission discontinued the use of the Fee Filer system and incorporated this system into CORES. To use CORES, you first need to register with the FCC at <a href="https://apps2.fcc.gov/fccUserReg/pages/login.htm">https://apps2.fcc.gov/fccUserReg/pages/login.htm</a>. Once your FCC user name is registered and verified, you can access CORES and select the option to associate your existing FCC Registration Number (FRN) to that user name. To make an FY 2022 regulatory fee payment, login to the following website using your Username and Password: <a href="https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do">https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do</a>.

Commission licensees and regulatees should consult the FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Report and Order for specific information concerning regulatory fee payment obligations, the regulatory fee process, and regulatory fee requirements for payment. The Commission also publishes industry-specific guidance in FY 2022 - Who Owes Fees and What Is My Fee, which can be found on the Commission website at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/regfees.">http://www.fcc.gov/regfees.</a>

In the FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Report and Order, the Commission extended the streamlined filing procedures and other temporary measures it implemented in FY 2020 and FY 2021 for fee waiver, deferral, and installment payment requests based on financial hardship related to the COVID-19 pandemic. The streamlined procedures include: (1) directing regulatees seeking relief to file their requests by email to a regfeerelief@fcc.gov, and (2) permitting regulatees to file a single consolidated request for waiver, deferral and/or installment payment. A detailed description of these streamlined filing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Commission has instituted a mandatory electronic payment policy, which means that licensees will not be able to make regulatory fee payments by check, money order, or cashier's check. Only credit card, Automated Clearing House (ACH), and wire transfer payments will be accepted. Please make sure that your electronic fee payment is made and the transaction is complete by the due date for FY 2022 regulatory fees.

procedures and the other temporary measures the Commission extended can be found in the public notice entitled *Procedures for Filing Requests for Waiver, Reduction, Deferral and Installment Payment of FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic* 

(Special Procedures PN) on the Commission website at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/regfees.">http://www.fcc.gov/regfees.</a>

Section 9A(c) of the Communications Act requires the Commission to impose a late payment penalty of 25 percent of the unpaid amount to be assessed on the first day following the deadline for filing these fees, and thereafter, to assess interest on the unpaid fee and penalty until paid in full.<sup>2</sup> Except as described in the Special Procedures Public Notice, if a regulatee fails to pay its regulatory fees, the 25 percent penalty and/or accrued interest in full, the Commission will withhold action on and dismiss all pending applications and other requests for benefits filed by the regulatee, pursuant to section 1.1161 of the Commission's rules.<sup>3</sup> Failure to pay in full a regulatory fee, the 25 per cent penalty and/or accrued interest on the fee and penalty may also result in revocation of a regulatee's license or authorization, pursuant to section 1.1164 of the Commission's rules.<sup>4</sup> In the case of partial payments (underpayments) of regulatory fees, the payor will be given credit for the amount paid, and the Commission will assess the 25 percent penalty and interest on the portion of the fee that is not paid in a timely manner.

## REGULATORY FEES GUIDANCE

The following Fact Sheets, Public Notices, and website listed below will become available at <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/regfees">http://www.fcc.gov/regfees</a> to help licensees with their regulatory fee obligations:

Fact Sheet: What You Owe—Cable Television Systems, IPTV, and DBS for FY 2022

Fact Sheet: What You Owe—Media Service Licensees for FY 2022

Fact Sheet: What You Owe—Commercial Wireless Services for FY 2022

Fact Sheet: What You Owe—International and Satellite Services for FY 2022

Fact Sheet: What You Owe—Interstate Telecommunications Service Providers (ITSP) for FY 2022

Fact Sheet: Regulatory Fee Exemptions for FY 2022, General Exemptions

Public Notice: Payment Methods and Procedures for Fiscal Year 2022 Regulatory Fees

Public Notice: Procedures for Filing Requests for Waiver, Reduction, Deferral and Installment Payment of FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic

Website: FY 2022 Regulatory Fees Information Look-up for Media Services, http://fccfees.com

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Licensees and regulatees should contact the Commission's Financial Operations Help Desk with inquiries regarding regulatory fees at (877) 480-3201, Option 6, or email inquiries to ARINQUIRIES@fcc.gov.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 159A(c).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 47 CFR § 1.1161.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 CFR § 1.1164.