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AUCTION 114 FREEZE ANNOUNCED FOR CERTAIN FM APPLICATIONS AND RULEMAKING FILINGS

AU Docket No. 26-105

The Media Bureau announces a freeze, effective immediately, on the following filings (collectively, Filings):

- Applications proposing to modify any of the vacant non-reserved band FM allotments scheduled for Auction 114 (Auction 114 FM Allotments);
- Petitions and counterproposals that propose a change in channel, class, community, or reference coordinates for any of the vacant non-reserved band FM allotments scheduled for Auction 114; and
- Applications, petitions and counterproposals that fail to fully protect any Auction 114 FM Allotment.

Auction 114 FM Allotments are listed in Attachment A of the *Auction 114 Comment Public Notice*.¹ All Filings submitted after the release of this Public Notice will be dismissed.² This freeze will automatically terminate the day after the filing deadline for post-Auction 114 long form applications. This temporary freeze is designed to promote a more certain and speedy auction process.

In Auction 114, the Office of Economics and Analytics and the Media Bureau will make available through competitive bidding procedures 132 vacant non-reserved band allotments in the FM broadcast service.³ FM minor change applications, which can now be filed on a first-come first-served basis, must protect the reference coordinates of each of these allotments.

For additional information, contact James Bradshaw or Rudy Bonacci, Audio Division, Media Bureau at (202) 418-2700.

This action is taken by the Acting Chief, Media Bureau, pursuant to authority delegated by sections 0.61 and 0.283 of the Commission's rules.⁴

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¹ *Auction of FM Broadcast Construction Permits Scheduled for February 2, 2027; Comment Sought on Competitive Bidding Procedures for Auction 114*, Public Notice, DA 26-444 (OEA/MB May 11, 2026) (*Auction 114 Comment Public Notice*). Bidders are also cautioned that currently pending petitions for rulemaking and open rulemaking proceedings may affect the 132 FM construction permits scheduled for Auction 114.

² 47 CFR § 1.401(e).

³ *Auction 114 Comment Public Notice*, *supra* note 1, at paras. 1-2, Attachment A.

⁴ 47 CFR §§ 0.61 and 0.283.