

are revised to incorporate this information, applicants using the one-step licensing process must file this supplement with the FCC Form 302-FM.

The data is used by FCC staff to confirm that the station has been built to terms specified in the outstanding construction permit and to ensure that any changes made to the station will not have any impact on other stations and the public. Data is extracted from FCC Form 302-FM for inclusion in the license to operate the station.

*OMB Control Number:* 3060-0171.

*Title:* Section 73.1125, Station main studio location.

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Type of Review:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 155.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 0.5 hours (this hour is split between cost and burden, 15 minutes burden for the licensee and 30 minutes cost for a communications attorney).

*Cost to Respondents:* \$22,800.

*Total Annual Burden:* 108 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Section 73.1125 requires licensees of AM, FM or TV broadcasting stations to notify the FCC when stations relocated their main studios. This data is used by FCC staff to assure that stations are located within the principal community contours and serves to notify FCC of changes in mailing addresses. The data received as justification for waiver of Section 73.1125 will enable the FCC staff to determine whether the circumstances are sufficient to warrant waiver of the main studio rules.

Federal Communications Commission.

**William F. Caton,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

[CC Docket No. 92-297; DA 97-2224]

**Comment Sought on Reserve Prices or Minimum Opening Bids for LMDS Auction: LMDS Auction Formula Proposed [Report No. AUC-17-B (Auction No. 17)]**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Public notice seeking comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission is proposing a formula for calculating minimum opening bids in the auction of licenses for the Local Multipoint Distribution Service, Auction No. 17, and invites public comment on its proposal.

**DATES:** Comments are due November 5, 1997. Reply comments are due November 10, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brett Tarnutzer, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0660.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This public notice was released on October 17, 1997, and is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., and also may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, (202) 857-3800, Fax (202) 857-3805, 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

**Synopsis of the Public Notice**

*Background*

1. When FCC licenses are subject to auction (*i.e.*, because they are mutually exclusive) the recently enacted Balanced Budget Act of 1997 calls upon the Commission to prescribe methods by which a reasonable reserve price will be required or a minimum opening bid established, unless the Commission determines that a reserve price or

minimum bid is not in the public interest. Section 3002(a), Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Public Law 105-33, 111 Stat. 251 (1997); 47 U.S.C. 309(j)(4)(F). The Commission's authority to establish a reserve price or minimum opening bid is set forth in 47 CFR 1.2104(c) and (d). Normally, a reserve price is an absolute minimum price below which an item will not be sold in a given auction. Reserve prices can be either published or unpublished. A minimum opening bid, on the other hand, is the minimum bid price set at the beginning of the auction below which no bids are accepted. In a minimum opening bid scenario, the auctioneer generally has the discretion to lower it later in the auction.

2. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau recently announced the auction of 986 licenses for the Local Multipoint Distribution Service ("LMDS"), which is to begin December 10, 1997. See *Public Notice*, "Auction of Local Multipoint Distribution Service: Auction Notice and Filing Requirements for 986 Basic Trading Area ("BTA") Licenses in the 28 GHz and 31 GHz Bands, Scheduled for December 10, 1997," DA 97-2081 (62 FR 53629, October 15, 1997).

*Discussion*

3. The Commission believes a minimum opening bid is more appropriate for the LMDS auction than a reserve price because firm reserve prices would not give the Commission flexibility to adjust to information learned during the auction and react to changing market conditions. Minimum bids, on the other hand, can serve the same revenue raising objective that reserve prices would serve, and in addition preserve for the Commission freedom to reduce the selected levels as the bidding unfolds. Further, a minimum opening bid will help to regulate the pace of the auction.

4. Specifically, the Commission proposes the following formula for calculating minimum opening bids in Auction No. 17:

Population of license area	A block min. opening bid (in dollars)	B block min. opening bid
Less than 100,000 .....	0.75 x population .....	10% of A Block.
100,000-1,000,000 .....	1.50 x population .....	10% of A Block.
More than 1,000,000 .....	2.25 x population .....	10% of A Block.

5. If, however, commenters believe that the formula proposed above for minimum opening bids will result in substantial numbers of unsold licenses, or is not a reasonable amount, or should instead operate as a reserve price, they should explain why this is so, and comment on the desirability of an alternative approach. Commenters are advised to support their claims with valuation analyses and suggested reserve prices or minimum opening bid levels or formulas. Alternatively, comment is sought on whether, consistent with the Balanced Budget Act, the public interest dictates having no minimum opening bid or reserve price.

6. Comments are due on or before November 5, 1997, and reply comments are due on or before November 10, 1997. To file formally, parties must submit an original and four copies to the Chief, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5202, 2025 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. Comments and reply comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Public Reference Room, Room 239, 1919 M Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554. Federal Communications Commission.

**William F. Caton,**  
Acting Secretary.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### Public Information Collections Approved by Office of Management and Budget

October 21, 1997.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has received Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the following public information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. For

further information contact Shoko B. Hair, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418-1379.

### Federal Communications Commission

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0496.

*Expiration Date:* 10/31/2000.

*Title:* ARMIS Operating Data Report.

*Form No.:* FCC Report 43-08.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 50 respondents; 160 hours per response (avg.); 8000 total annual burden hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Description:* ARMIS was implemented to facilitate the timely and efficient analysis of revenue requirements and rate of return to provide an improved basis for audits and other oversight functions, and to enhance the Commission's ability to quantify the effects of alternative policy. FCC Report 43-08, ARMIS Operating Data Report, is a report which consists of statistical schedules previously contained in FCC Form M which are needed by the Commission to monitor network growth, usage, and reliability. Section 220 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC 220, allows the Commission, at its discretion, to prescribe the forms of any and all accounts, records, and memoranda to be kept by carriers subject to this Act, including the accounts, records, and memoranda of the movement of traffic, as well as of the receipts and expenditures of moneys. Section 219(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC 219(b), authorizes the Commission by general or special orders to require any carriers subject to this Act to file annual reports concerning any matters with respect to which the Commission is authorized or required by law to act. Section 43.21 of the Commission's rules details that requirement. Obligation to respond: mandatory.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0763.

*Expiration Date:* 10/31/2000.

*Title:* ARMIS Customer Satisfaction Report.

*Form No.:* FCC Report 43-06.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 8 respondents; 900 hours per response (avg.); 7200 total annual burden hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$0.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually.

*Description:* ARMIS was implemented to facilitate the timely and efficient analysis of revenue requirements and rate of return to provide an improved basis for audits and other oversight functions, and to enhance the Commission's ability to quantify the effects of alternative policy. FCC Report 43-06, the Customer Satisfaction Report, formerly the Semi-Annual Service Quality Report, reflects the results of customer satisfaction surveys conducted by individual carriers from residential and business customers. Section 220 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 220, allows the Commission, at its discretion, to prescribe the forms of any and all accounts, records, and memoranda to be kept by carriers subject to this Act, including the accounts, records, and memoranda of the movement of traffic, as well as of the receipts and expenditures of moneys. Section 219(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 219(b), authorizes the Commission by general or special orders to require any carriers subject to this Act to file annual reports concerning any matters with respect to which the Commission is authorized or required by law to act. Section 43.21 of the Commission's rules details that requirement. Obligation to respond: mandatory.

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0298.

*Expiration Date:* 10/31/2000.

*Title:* Tariffs (Other Than Tariff Review Plan)—Part 61.

*Form No.:* N/A.

*Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 2000 respondents; 4797 hours per response (avg.); 682,555 total annual burden hours for all collections.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* \$2,878,200.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.

*Description:* Sections 201, 202, 203, 204 and 205 of the Communications Act