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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 1 and 73

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16645]

Auction 106 Postponed; Delay of Auction of FM Broadcast Construction Permits Initially Scheduled To Begin on April 28, 2020

AGENCY: Federal Communications
Commission.

ACTION: Notice; auction postponed.

SUMMARY: This document summarizes
the public notice that announces the
indefinite postponement of Auction
106, an auction of construction permits
in the FM broadcast service, in light of
the COVID-19 pandemic.

DATES: Bidding in Auction 106 was
scheduled to begin on April 28, 2020. A
revised auction schedule will be
announced in a future public notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For
general auction questions, the Auctions
Hotline at (888) 225-5322, option 2; or
(717) 338-2868. For upfront payment
refund questions, Scott Radcliffe at
(202) 418-7518, Scott.Radcliffe@fcc.gov;
or Theresa Meeks at (202) 418-2945,
Theresa.Meeks@fcc.gov, in the FCC
Revenue & Receivables Operations
Group/Auctions. For press information,
Janice Wise at (202) 418-8165.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a
summary of the *Auction 106*

Postponement Public Notice, AU Docket
No. 19-290, DA 20-327, released on
March 25, 2020. The complete text of
the *Auction 106 Postponement Public
Notice* is available for public inspection
and copying from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
ET Monday through Thursday or from
8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ET on Fridays in
the FCC Reference Information Center,
located in Room CY-A257, of the FCC
Headquarters, 445 12th Street SW,
Washington, DC 20554, except when
FCC Headquarters is otherwise closed to
visitors. See, e.g., *Public Notice,
Restrictions on Visitors to FCC Facilities*
that appeared on the Commission
website March 12, 2020. The *Auction
106 Postponement Public Notice* and
related documents also are available on
the internet at the Commission's
website: www.fcc.gov/auction/106 or by
using the search function for AU Docket
No. 19-290 on the Commission's ECFS
web page at <http://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.
Alternative formats are available to
persons with disabilities by sending an
email to FCC504@fcc.gov or by calling
the Consumer & Governmental Affairs
Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice) or
(202) 418-0432 (TTY).

I. General Information

1. The Office of Economics and
Analytics (OEA), in conjunction with
the Media Bureau (MB), announces an
indefinite postponement of bidding in
Auction 106, an auction of construction
permits in the FM broadcast service,
which had been scheduled to begin on
Tuesday, April 28, 2020. OEA and MB
take this action to protect the health and
safety of Commission staff during the
auction and so that parties have
additional time to prepare to participate
in Auction 106 given the COVID-19
pandemic. See Proclamation No. 9994,
85 FR 153337 (Mar. 13, 2020). OEA and

MB will announce a revised schedule in
a future public notice.

2. *Refund of Upfront Payments.*
Auction 106 applicants that had
submitted upfront payments may obtain
a refund of those deposits after
submitting a written request with the
information specified below. All
refunds of upfront payments will be
returned to the payer of record as
identified on the FCC Form 159 unless
the payer submits written authorization
instructing otherwise. Each applicant
can provide this information by using
the FCC auction application system to
file its refund information electronically
using the Refund Form icon found on
the Auction Application Manager page
in the FCC auction application system.
After the required information is
completed on the blank form, the form
should be printed, signed, and
submitted to the Commission by fax,
email, or mail as instructed in the
public notice. Refund processing
generally takes up to two weeks to
complete.

3. *Short-Form Applications
Dismissed, Prohibited Communications
Rule Suspended.* All short-form
applications (FCC Form 175s) filed for
Auction 106 are dismissed. OEA and
MB will announce procedures for filing
applications and other procedures to
participate in Auction 106 in a future
announcement.

4. The rules prohibiting certain
communications set forth in 47 CFR
1.2105(c) no longer apply to each
applicant that filed a short-form
application in Auction 106.

Federal Communications Commission.

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