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FURTHER CORRECTION TO PUBLIC NOTICE AUCTION OF 156-162 MHz

VHF PUBLIC COAST STATION SERVICE LICENSES

Auction Notice and Filing Requirements for 42 Geographic Area Licenses

Minimum Opening Bids and Other Procedural Issues

This Public Notice further corrects a Public Notice released September 4, 1998 ("September 4, 1998 Public Notice") announcing the auction and filing requirements of 156-162 MHz VHF Public Coast Station Service licenses.¹ **The information contained in this Public Notice corrects information in all previous Public Notices released in connection with the VHF Public Coast Service auction.**

The *September 4, 1998 Public Notice* is further corrected as follows

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See "Auction of 156-162 MHz VHF Public Coast Station Service Licenses; Auction Notice and Filing Requirements for 42 Geographic Area Licenses Scheduled for December 3, 1998; Minimum Opening Bids and Other Procedural Issues," Public Notice, DA 98-1796 (released September 4, 1998) as corrected by "Correction to Attachment A of Public Notice, Auction of 156-162 MHz VHF Public Coast Station Service Licenses; Auction Notice and Filing Requirements for 42 Geographic Area Licenses Scheduled for December 3, 1998; Minimum Opening Bids and Other Procedural Issues," Public Notice (released September 8, 1998).

1. The chart on page 2 of the *September 4, 1998 Public Notice* is revised to read:

(1) Maritime VPCs	Channel Pairs (total kHz available) ⁴
Maritime Border VPCs: ⁵ VPCs 1, 5, 7	24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88 (500 kHz)
Maritime Non-Border VPCs and Maritime Border VPC 9: VPCs 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9	24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 84, 85, 86, 87 (450 kHz)
(2) Inland VPCs	Channel Pairs (total kHz available)
Inland Border VPCs VPCs 10, 11, 28, 29, 30	24, 26, 27, 28, 85, 86, 87 (350 kHz)
Inland Non-Border VPCs: VPCs 12-15, 23-27, 33-34, 36-39, 41-42	24, 26, 27, 28, 85, 86, 87 (350 kHz)
VPCs 16-22, 31-32, 35, 40	24, 26, 27, 28, 84, 86, 87 (350 kHz)

3. The first full paragraph on page 4 of the *September 4, 1998 Public Notice* is revised to read:

In addition, potential bidders seeking licenses for geographic areas that are near the Canadian border should be aware of agreements between the United States and Canada that affect the assignment and use of VHF frequencies in parts of maritime and inland border VPCs.⁹ Potential bidders are responsible for investigating and evaluating the degree to which these matters affect spectrum availability in areas where they seek maritime or inland VPC licenses.

4. Footnotes 8 through 36 of the *September 4, 1998 Public Notice* are redesignated as footnotes 10 through 38.

5. The attached chart further corrects and replaces Attachment A to the *September 4, 1998 Public Notice*. This chart provides information on upfront payments and minimum opening bids for each of the 42 VHF Public Coast Service geographic area licenses to be auctioned.

The availability of channel pairs throughout maritime and inland border VPCs may be affected by agreements between the United States and Canada regarding the assignment and use of VHF frequencies near the U.S.–Canadian border. *See, e.g.,* 47 CFR § 80.57. For information regarding other issues that may affect the availability of channels 87 and 88 throughout maritime and inland border VPCs, see Amendment of the Commission's Rules Concerning Maritime Communications, *Third Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order*, FCC 98-151, ¶¶ 46-49 (rel. July 9, 1998) ("Public Coast Third Report and Order").

Channel 88 is not available in VPC 9, a Maritime Border VPC comprising Alaska.

See supra note 4. *See also* 47 CFR §80.371(c); *Public Coast Third Report and Order*, ¶8.

Attachment A
Summary of VHF Public Coast Licenses to be Auctioned

VPC Area	Description (Includes EAs)	License No.	Population *	Upfront Payment per license**	Minimum Opening Bid per license ***
500 KHz Maritime Border VPCs (10 channel pairs)					
VPC001	Northern Atlantic	PCVPC001	34,307,483	\$12,008.00	\$17,154.00
VPC005	Great Lakes	PCVPC005	34,806,473	\$12,183.00	\$17,404.00
VPC007	Northern Pacific	PCVPC007	7,858,465	\$2,751.00	\$3,930.00
450 KHz Maritime Non-Border VPCs & Maritime Border VPC 9 (9 channel pairs)					
VPC002	Mid-Atlantic	PCVPC002	27,769,440	\$8,748.00	\$12,497.00
VPC003	Southern Atlantic	PCVPC003	24,433,236	\$7,697.00	\$10,995.00
VPC004	Mississippi River	PCVPC004	74,971,624	\$23,617.00	\$33,738.00
VPC006	Southern Pacific	PCVPC006	29,834,997	\$9,399.00	\$13,426.00
VPC008	Hawaii	PCVPC008	1,331,499	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC009	Alaska	PCVPC009	550,043	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
350 KHz Inland Border VPCs (7 channel pairs)					
VPC010	Grand Forks, ND-MN	PCVPC010	240,827	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC011	Minot, ND	PCVPC011	116,054	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC028	Billings, MT-WY	PCVPC028	362,513	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC029	Great Falls, MT	PCVPC029	163,284	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC030	Missoula, MT	PCVPC030	333,984	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
350 KHz Inland Non-Border VPCs (7 channel pairs)					
VPC012	Bismarck, ND-MT-SD	PCVPC012	172,204	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC013	Aberdeen, SD	PCVPC013	84,696	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC014	Rapid City, SD-MT-NE-ND	PCVPC014	199,782	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC015	North Platte, NE-CO	PCVPC015	60,432	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC016	Western Oklahoma, OK	PCVPC016	144,847	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC017	Abilene, TX	PCVPC017	213,430	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC018	San Angelo, TX	PCVPC018	189,093	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC019	Odessa-Midland, TX	PCVPC019	382,517	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC020	Hobbs, NM-TX	PCVPC020	185,128	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC021	Lubbock, TX	PCVPC021	357,092	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC022	Amarillo, TX-NM	PCVPC022	448,258	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC023	Santa Fe, NM	PCVPC023	208,689	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC024	Pueblo, CO-NM	PCVPC024	247,124	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC025	Denver-Boulder-Greeley, CO-KS-NE	PCVPC025	3,031,140	\$7,957.00	\$11,670.00
VPC026	Scottsbluff, NE-WY	PCVPC026	91,975	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC027	Casper, WY-ID-UT	PCVPC027	382,095	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC031	Idaho Falls, ID-WY	PCVPC031	263,379	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC032	Twin Falls, ID	PCVPC032	136,831	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC033	Boise City, ID-OR	PCVPC033	408,246	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC034	Reno, NV-CA	PCVPC034	511,004	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC035	Salt Lake City-Ogden, UT-ID	PCVPC035	1,635,998	\$4,295.00	\$6,299.00
VPC036	Las Vegas, NV-AZ-UT	PCVPC036	943,702	\$2,500.00	\$3,634.00
VPC037	Flagstaff, AZ-UT	PCVPC037	299,753	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC038	Farmington, NM-CO	PCVPC038	150,155	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
VPC039	Albuquerque, NM-AZ	PCVPC039	762,814	\$2,500.00	\$2,937.00
VPC040	El Paso, TX-NM	PCVPC040	807,501	\$2,500.00	\$3,109.00
VPC041	Phoenix-Mesa, AZ-NM	PCVPC041	2,365,002	\$6,209.00	\$9,106.00
VPC042	Tucson, AZ	PCVPC042	794,180	\$2,500.00	\$3,058.00
			252,556,989	\$174,864.00	\$ 218,957.00
* All population figures are from the 4/1/90 U.S. Census, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.					
** Upfront Payment Calculations:					
1. Maritime VPC Licenses: License Population * Block size (in MHz) * \$0.0007 (rounded up to the next dollar).					
2. Inland VPC Licenses: License Population * Block size (in MHz) * \$0.0075 (rounded up to the next dollar).					
*** Minimum Opening Bid Calculations:					
1. Maritime VPC Licenses: License Population * Block Size (in MHz) * \$0.001 (rounded up to the next dollar) with a minimum of no less than \$2,500 per license.					
2. Inland VPC Licenses: License Population * Block size (in MHz) * \$0.011 (rounded up to the next dollar) with a minimum of no less than \$2,500 per license.					