

the specific entities that may be affected by this action. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the person listed in the "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT" section.

## II. How Can I Get Additional Information, Including Copies of this Document or Other Related Documents?

*A. Electronically.* You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. To access this document, on the Home Page select "Laws and Regulations" and then look up the entry for this document under the "Federal Register--Environmental Documents." You can also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

*B. In person.* The Agency has established an official record for this action under docket control number OPPTS-59369. The official record consists of the documents specifically referenced in this action, any public comments received during an applicable comment period, and other information related to this action, including any information claimed as confidential business information (CBI). This official record includes the documents that are physically located in the docket, as well as the documents that are referenced in those documents. The public version of the official record does not include any information claimed as CBI. The public version of the official record, which includes printed, paper versions of any electronic comments submitted during an applicable comment period, is available for inspection in the TSCA Nonconfidential Information Center, North East Rm. B-607, Waterside Mall, 401 M St., SW., Washington, DC. The Center is open from noon to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. The telephone number for the Center is (202) 260-7099.

## III. What is the Agency's Authority for Taking this Action?

Section 5(h)(1) of TSCA and 40 CFR 720.38 authorize EPA to exempt persons from premanufacture notification (PMN) requirements and permit them to manufacture or import new chemical substances for test marketing purposes, if the Agency finds that the manufacture, processing, distribution in commerce, use, and disposal of the substances for test marketing purposes will not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment. EPA may impose restrictions on test marketing activities and may modify or

revoke a test marketing exemption upon receipt of new information which casts significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activity will not present an unreasonable risk of injury.

## IV. What Action is the Agency Taking?

EPA has approved the above-referenced TME. EPA has determined that test marketing the new chemical substance, under the conditions set out in the TME application and in this notice, will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

## V. What Restrictions Apply to this TME?

The test market time period, production volume, number of customers, and use must not exceed specifications in the application and this notice. All other conditions and restrictions described in the application and in this notice must also be met.

### TME 00-1.

*Date of Receipt:* January 7, 2000.

*Notice of Receipt:* February 25, 2000 (65 FR 10086).

*Applicant:* The Procter and Gamble Company.

*Chemical:* (G) Salt of substituted aliphatic benzene sulfonic acid

*Use:* (G) Consumer product ingredient

*Production Volume:* CBI

*Number of Customers:* 300,000 to 625,000 households

*Test Marketing Period:* 20 months, commencing on first day of commercial manufacture.

The following additional restrictions apply to this TME. A bill of lading accompanying each shipment must state that the use of the substance is restricted to that approved in the TME.

In addition, the applicant shall maintain the following records until 5 years after the date they are created, and shall make them available for inspection or copying in accordance with section 11 of TSCA:

1. Records of the quantity of the TME substance produced and the date of manufacture.
2. Records of dates of the shipments to each customer and the quantities supplied in each shipment.
3. Copies of the bill of lading that accompanies each shipment of the TME substance.

## VI. What was EPA's Risk Assessment for this TME?

EPA identified no significant environmental concerns for the test market substance. EPA's concern for lung toxicity and other human health effects were mitigated based on the

physical form of the substance (imported as beads) and the closed processing system. Therefore, the test market activities will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment.

## VII. Can EPA Change Its Decision on this TME in the Future?

Yes. The Agency reserves the right to rescind approval or modify the conditions and restrictions of an exemption should any new information that comes to its attention cast significant doubt on its finding that the test marketing activities will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to human health or the environment.

## List of Subjects

Environmental protection, Test marketing exemptions.

Dated: March 1, 2000.

**Flora Chow,**

*Chief, New Chemicals Notice Management Branch, Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics.*

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## FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

### Farm Credit Administration Board; Regular Meeting; Sunshine Act Notice

**AGENCY:** Farm Credit Administration.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b(e)(3)), of the forthcoming regular meeting of the Farm Credit Administration Board (Board).

**DATE AND TIME:** The regular meeting of the Board will be held at the Monte Carlo Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada, on March 9, 2000, from 2:30 p.m. until such time as the Board concludes its business.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vivian L. Portis, Secretary to the Farm Credit Administration Board, (703) 883-4025, TDD (703) 883-4444.

**ADDRESSES:** Monte Carlo Hotel, 3770 Las Vegas Boulevard, South, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109, 702-730-7777.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting of the Board will be open to the public (limited space available). In order to increase the accessibility to Board meetings, persons requiring assistance should make arrangements in advance. The matters to be considered at the meeting are:

*Open Session*

- *Approval of Minutes*

—February 17, 2000 (Open and Closed)

- *New Business—Regulations*
- *Loans to Designated Parties* [12 CFR Part 614] (Proposed)
- *Disclosure to Shareholders—Annual Report* [12 CFR Part 620] (Proposed)

Dated: March 3, 2000.

**Vivian L. Portis,**  
Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.  
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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA 00-292]

### Auction of Licenses in the 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands Scheduled for May 10, 2000; Report No. AUC-0031-C (Auction No. 31)

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This Public Notice announces the auction and procedures governing the auction of licenses for Fixed, Mobile, and Broadcasting service in the 747-762 and 777-792 MHz bands ("Auction No. 31"), scheduled to commence on May 10, 2000. As discussed in greater detail herein, Auction No. 31 will be composed of 12 licenses in 747-762 and 777-792 MHz bands. One 20 megahertz license (consisting of paired 10 megahertz blocks) and one 10 megahertz license (consisting of paired 5 megahertz blocks) will be offered in each of six regions to be known as the 700 MHz band economic area groupings ("700 MHz band EAGs").

**DATES:** Auction No. 31 is scheduled for May 10, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Media Contact, Meribeth McCarrick at (202) 418-0654; Auctions Legal Branch, Howard Davenport at (202) 418-0660; Kathy Garland, Project Manager, Auctions Operations Branch at (717) 338-2888; or Craig Bomberger, Analyst, Auctions Operations Branch at (202) 418-0660; Commercial Wireless Division, Roger Noel at (202) 418-0620.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of a Public Notice released February 18, 2000. The complete text of the public notice, including all attachments, is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. It may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription

Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.) 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036, (202) 857-3800. It is also available on the Commission's website at <http://www.fcc.gov>.

### List of Attachments Available at the FCC

Attachment A: Summary of 700 MHz Licenses to be Auctioned, Upfront Payments, Minimum Opening Bids  
Attachment B: FCC Auction Seminar Registration Form  
Attachment C: Electronic Filing and Review of the FCC Form 175  
Attachment D: Guidelines for Completion of FCC Form 175 and Exhibits  
Attachment E: Auction-Specific Instructions for FCC Remittance Advice (FCC Form 159)  
Attachment F: FCC Bidding Preference/Remote Software Order Form  
Attachment G: Bid Increments and Exponential Smoothing  
Attachment H: Accessing the FCC Network Using Windows 95/98  
Attachment I: Summary Listing of Documents from the Commission and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Addressing Application of the Anti-Collusion Rules  
Attachment J: Incumbent Television Licensees on Channels 59-68

### I. General Information

#### A. Introduction

1. The *Auction Public Notice* announces the procedures and minimum opening bids for the upcoming auction of licenses for Fixed, Mobile, and Broadcasting services in the 747-762 and 777-792 MHz bands ("Auction No. 31"). On January 10, 2000, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("Bureau") released a public notice, (*See "Auction of Licenses in the 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands Scheduled for May 10, 2000; Comment Sought on Reserve Prices or Minimum Opening Bids and Other Auction Procedural Issues," Public Notice, ("Auction No. 31 Comment Public Notice")*, 65 FR 2956 (January 19, 2000)) seeking comment on the establishment of reserve prices or minimum opening bids for Auction No. 31, in accordance with the Balanced Budget Act of 1997. (*See* section 3002(a), Balanced Budget Act of 1997, Public Law 105-33, 111 Stat. 251 (1997) ("Budget Act"); 47 U.S.C. 309(j)(4)(F). In addition, the Bureau sought comment on a number of procedures to be used in Auction No. 31. (*See Auction No. 31 Comment Public Notice* at 5-6.) The Bureau received three comments and five reply comments in response to the *Auction No. 31 Comment Public Notice*.

#### i. Background of Proceeding

2. The 746-806 MHz band has historically been used exclusively by television stations (Channels 60 through 69). Incumbent analog television broadcasters are permitted by statute to continue operations in this band until their markets are converted to digital television ("DTV"). (*See* 47 U.S.C. 337(e); *See also* Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact Upon Existing Television Broadcast Service, MM Docket No. 87-268, *Reconsideration of Fifth Report and Order*, 63 FR 15774 (April 1, 1998), 13 FCC Rcd 6860, 6887 (1998). The Budget Act directed the Commission to reallocate this spectrum for public safety and commercial use by December 31, 1997, (*See* section 337(a) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. 337(a) and to commence competitive bidding for the commercial licenses on the reallocated spectrum after January 1, 2001. (*See id.* at section 337(b)(2)(a). In November 1999, Congress enacted a consolidated appropriations statute that revised the latter instruction. (*See Consolidated Appropriations*, Appendix E, section 213. *See also* 145 Cong. Rec. H12493-94 (Nov. 17, 1999). This legislation accelerated the schedule for auction of the commercial spectrum bands, and requires that the proceeds from the auction of these bands be deposited in the U.S. Treasury by September 30, 2000.

#### ii. Licenses To Be Auctioned

3. The licenses available in this auction consist of one 20 megahertz license (consisting of paired 10 megahertz blocks) and one 10 megahertz license (consisting of paired 5 megahertz blocks) in each of six regions to be known as the 700 MHz band economic area groupings ("700 MHz Band EAGs"). The following table contains the Block/Frequency Band Limits Cross-Reference List for each region in Auction No. 31:

#### 747-762 AND 777-792 MHz ALLOCATIONS

License suffix	Frequencies
C	747-752, 777-782
D	752-762, 782-792

#### B. Rules and Disclaimers

##### i. Relevant Authority

4. Prospective bidders must familiarize themselves thoroughly with the Commission's rules relating to the 700 MHz band, contained in Title 47, part 27 of the Code of Federal