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MOBILITY FUND PHASE II CHALLENGE PROCESS PORTAL: UPDATE FOR MAY 2018

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The Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force (Task Force), in conjunction with the Wireline Competition Bureau and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (the Bureaus), today provides the first update about the Mobility Fund Phase II (MF-II) challenge process. As of May 31, 2018, a total of 64 entities have access to the Universal Service Administrator Company (USAC) MF-II Challenge Process Portal to participate in the MF-II challenge process. Of these entities, 37 are mobile service providers required to file Form 477 data; seven are state government entities; six are local government entities; 11 are Tribal government entities; and three are other entities that have filed petitions requesting, and have each been granted, a waiver to participate.¹ The Task Force and Bureaus plan to provide updates on the number of challengers and certified challenges in the future.

For further information concerning the MF-II challenge process, please email mf2challengeprocess@fcc.gov or contact Jonathan McCormack, Auctions and Spectrum Access Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418-0660.

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¹ All government entities (including state, local, and Tribal governments) as well as all mobile service providers required to file Form 477 data are eligible to participate in the MF-II challenge process. *Connect America Fund; Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund*, Order on Reconsideration and Second Report and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 6282, 6303-04, para. 42 (2017) (*MF-II Challenge Process Order*). Such eligible entities may request access to the USAC MF-II Challenge Process Portal at any time via the MF-II Challenge Portal Access Request form, available at www.fcc.gov/MF2-Challenge-Portal/form. *Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force Announces Availability of Mobility Fund Phase II Challenge Process Portal Access Request Form*, Public Notice, DA 18-142 (WCB/WTB Feb. 14, 2018). Other entities, including individual consumers, organizations, or businesses not otherwise eligible, may participate upon the entity filing and the Commission granting a waiver for good cause shown. *See MF-II Handset and USAC Portal Access Request Public Notice*, 32 FCC Rcd at 10376, para. 10; *MF-II Challenge Process Order*, 32 FCC Rcd at 6304, para. 43 n.119. *See also* *Petition for Waiver of Senator Joe Manchin III to Participate in Mobility Fund II Challenge Process*, Order, DA 18-555 (WTB May 25, 2018); *Petition for Waiver of The Kansas Farm Bureau to Participate in Mobility Fund II Challenge Process*, Order, DA 18-453 (WTB May 2, 2018); *Petition for Waiver of Wireless Partners, LLC to Participate in Mobility Fund II Challenge Process*, Order, DA 18-318 (WTB Mar. 30, 2018).