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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 fifth update about the Mobility Fund Phase II (MF-II) challenge process. As of September 30, 2018, a total of 105 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, 38 are mobile service providers required to file Form 477 data; 19 are state government entities; 26 are local government entities; 16 are Tribal government entities; and six are other entities that have filed petitions requesting, and have each been granted, a waiver to participate.¹ While the number of speed tests on file varies on a daily basis, given that participants can add, remove, and reupload data files during the filing window, a total of over 6.6 million speed tests have been submitted during the course of challenge process.²

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, e.g., Petition of the Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation for Waiver to Participate in Mobility Fund II Challenge Process*, Order, 33 FCC Rcd 1769 (WTB 2018); *see also Mobility Fund Phase II Challenge Process Handsets and Access Procedures for the Challenge Process Portal*, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 10372, 10376, para. 10 ((WCB/WTB 2017); *MF-II Challenge Process Order*, 32 FCC Rcd at 6304, para. 43 n.119.

² As of September 28, challengers have on file 937,811 speed tests of which 13,206 challenged grid cells have been certified.