

## § 21.957

(3) An exhibit complying with §§ 1.2110(j) of this chapter and 21.960(f), if the winning bidder submitting the long-form application or statement of intention claims status as a designated entity.

(c) Subsequent long-form applications for additional MDS station licenses within the BTA service areas of winning bidders may be submitted at any time during the five year build-out period and need not contain the exhibits specified in paragraphs (b)(2) through (3) of this section.

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### § 21.957 Comments on statements of intention.

In addition to the provisions of § 21.30, parties wishing to comment or oppose the issuance of a BTA authorization in connection with the filing of a statement of intention by a winning bidder must do so prior to the Commission's issuance of the BTA authorization.

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### § 21.958 Issuance of BTA licenses.

A winning bidder who submitted a long-form application for an MDS station license within its BTA service area pursuant to § 21.956(a) will receive its BTA authorization concurrent with the grant of its MDS conditional station license within its BTA service area. A winning bidder who submitted a statement of intention with regard to its BTA service area pursuant to § 21.956(a) will receive its BTA authorization following the Commission's review of its statement of intention. The Commission will issue a BTA authorization to a winning bidder within ten (10) business days following notification of receipt of full payment of the amount of the winning bid.

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### § 21.959 [Reserved]

### § 21.960 Designated entity provisions for MDS.

(a) *Eligibility for small business provisions.* A small business is an entity that together with its affiliates has av-

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erage annual gross revenues that are not more than \$40 million for the preceding three calendar years.

(b) *Designated entities.* As specified in this section, designated entities that are winning bidders for BTA service areas are eligible for special incentives in the auction process. See 47 CFR 1.2110.

(c) *Installment payments.* Small businesses and small business consortia may elect to pay the full amount of their winning bids for BTA service areas in installments over a ten (10) year period running from the date that their BTA authorizations are issued.

(1) Each eligible winning bidder paying for its BTA authorization(s) on an installment basis must deposit by wire transfer or cashier's check in the manner specified in § 21.955 sufficient additional funds as are necessary to bring its total deposits to ten (10) percent of its winning bid(s) within five (5) business days after the Commission has declared it the winning bidder and closed the bidding. Failure to remit the required payment will make the bidder liable for the payments set forth in § 21.959(a)(2).

(2) Within five (5) business days following release of the public notice stating that the BTA authorization of a winning bidder eligible for installment payments is ready to be issued, the winning bidder shall pay another ten (10) percent of its winning bid, thereby commencing the eligible bidder's installment payment plan. The Commission will issue the BTA authorization to the eligible winning bidder within ten (10) business days following notification of receipt of this additional ten (10) percent payment. Failure to remit the required payment will make the bidder liable for the payments set forth in § 21.959(a)(2).

(3) Upon issuance of a BTA authorization to a winning bidder eligible for installment payments, the Commission will notify such eligible BTA authorization holder of the terms of its installment payment plan. For MDS, such installment payment plans will:

(i) Impose interest based on the rate of ten (10) year U.S. Treasury obligations at the time of issuance of the BTA authorization, plus two and one half (2.5) percent;