ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-7106-9]

Office of Research and Development; Board of Scientific Counselors Subcommittee Review of the National Exposure Research Laboratory

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of review.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C., App. 2) notification is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development (ORD), Board of Scientific Counselors (BOSC), Subcommittee will meet to review the National Exposure Research Laboratory.

DATES: The review will be held on December 18–20, 2001. On Tuesday, December 18, 2001, the review will begin at 8 a.m., and will recess at 5 p.m. On Wednesday, December 19, 2001, the review will begin at 8:30 a.m. and recess at 5 p.m. On the final day, Thursday, December 20, 2001, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn 2:30 p.m., and will include a writing session from 8:45 a.m. to 12 noon. All times noted are Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The review will be held at the Catawba Building, 3210 Highway 54, Room 327, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shirley R. Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Research and Development, (8701R), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20460, (202) 564–6853.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Anyone desiring a draft agenda may fax their request to Shirley R. Hamilton, (202) 565-2444. The meeting is open to the public. Any member of the public wishing to make comments at the meeting should contact Shirley Hamilton, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Board of Scientific Counselors, Office of Research and Development (8701R), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460 by telephone at (202) 564-6853. In general, each individual making an oral presentation will be limited to a total of three minutes.

Dated: November 15, 2001.

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Director, National Center for Environmental Research.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. AUC-01-82-B (Auction No. 82); DA 01-2605]

Auction of Construction Permits for New Analog Television Stations Scheduled for February 5, 2002; Comment Sought on Reserve Prices or Minimum Opening Bids and Other Auction Procedural Issues

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This document announces the auction of four construction permits for new analog television stations to commence on February 5, 2002.

DATES: Comments are due on or before November 26, 2001, and reply comments are due on or before December 3, 2001.

ADDRESSES: An original and four copies of all pleadings must be filed with the Commission's Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Room TW-A325, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20054, in accordance with § 1.51(c) of the Commission's rules. In addition, commenters are requested to fax a courtesy copy of their comments and reply comments to the attention of Kathy Garland at (717) 338–2850.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Video Services Division: Shaun Maher at (202) 418–1600. Auctions and Industry Analysis Division: Kenneth Burnley, Legal Branch at (202) 418–0660 and Linda Sanderson, Operations Branch at (717) 338–2888. Requests for information can also be e-mailed to auctionsinquiry@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the *Auction No. 82*Comment Public Notice released
November 9, 2001. The complete text of the *Auction No. 82 Comment Public*Notice, including attachments, is available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information
Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–A257, Washington, DC 20554.
The *Auction No. 82 Comment Public*Notice may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor,

Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 202– 863–2893, facsimile 202–863–2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com.

- 1. By the Auction No. 82 Comment Public Notice, the Mass Media Bureau ("MMB") and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("WTB") (collectively, "Bureaus") announce the auction of four construction permits for new analog television stations to commence on February 5, 2002 ("Auction No. 82"). A list of the channels and communities of these stations is included as Attachment A of the Auction No. 82 Comment Public Notice. These new television stations are the subject of pending, mutually exclusive short-form applications (FCC Form 175) filed on or before June 29, 2001. Pursuant to the Broadcast First Report and Order, 63 FR 48615 (September 11, 1998), participation in the auction will be limited to those applicants. A list of those applicants is also identified in Attachment A of the Auction No. 82 Comment Public Notice.
- 2. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 requires the Commission to "ensure that, in the scheduling of any competitive bidding under this subsection, an adequate period is allowed * * * before issuance of bidding rules, to permit notice and comment on proposed auction procedures. * * * * " Consistent with the provisions of the Balanced Budget Act and to ensure that potential bidders have adequate time to familiarize themselves with the specific rules that will govern the day-to-day conduct of an auction, the Commission directed the Bureaus, under their existing delegated authority, to seek comment on a variety of auction-specific procedures prior to the start of each auction. The Bureaus therefore seek comment on the following issues relating to Auction No. 82.

I. Auction Structure

- A. Multiple Round Auction Design
- 3. The Bureaus propose to award these construction permits in a simultaneous multiple-round auction. As described further, this methodology offers every construction permit for bid at the same time with successive bidding rounds in which bidders may place bids. The Bureaus seek comment on this proposal.
- B. Upfront Payments and Initial Maximum Eligibility
- 4. The upfront payment is a refundable deposit made by each bidder to determine and establish eligibility to