

Dated: February 5, 2001.

James Jones,

Director, Registration Division, Office of Pesticides Programs.

Therefore, 40 CFR chapter I is amended as follows:

PART 180—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 180 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 321(q), 346(a) and 371.

§ 180.301 [Amended]

2. In § 180.301, amend paragraph (b) by revising the date “6/30/00” to read “12/31/01.”

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

45 CFR Part 2525

RIN 3045–AA09

AmeriCorps Education Awards: Delay of Effective Date

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Final rule; delay of effective date.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the memorandum of January 20, 2001, from the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff, entitled “Regulatory Review Plan,” published in the **Federal Register** on January 24, 2001, this action temporarily delays for 60 days the effective date of an amendment to the rule entitled “AmeriCorps Education Awards,” published in the **Federal Register** on December 13, 2000, at 65 FR 77820. This rule concerns an individual who successfully completes a term of service in a national service position (referred to as an “AmeriCorps member”) is eligible for an education award. An AmeriCorps Member may use an education award to repay qualified student loans or to pay for approved educational expenses. To the extent that 5 U.S.C. section 553 applies to this action, it is exempt from notice and comment because it constitutes a rule of procedure under 5 U.S.C. section 553(b)(A). Alternatively, the Corporation’s implementation of this action without opportunity for public comment, effective immediately upon publication today in the **Federal Register**, is based on the good cause exceptions in 5 U.S.C. section 553(b)(B) and 553(d)(3) seeking public comment is impracticable, unnecessary and

contrary to the public interest. The temporary 60-day delay in effective date is necessary to allow further review and consideration of new regulations, consistent with the Assistant to the President’s memorandum of January 20, 2001. Given the imminence of the effective date, seeking prior public comment on this temporary delay would have been impractical, as well as contrary to the public interest in the orderly promulgation and implementation of regulations. The imminence of the effective date is also good cause for making this rule effective immediately upon publication.

EFFECTIVE DATES: The effective date of the AmeriCorps Education Awards, published in the **Federal Register** on December 13, 2000, at 65 FR 77820, is delayed for 60 days, from February 12, 2001, to a new effective date of April 13, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Kowalczyk, Coordination of National Service Programs, Corporation for National and Community Service, (202) 606–5000, ext. 340.

Dated: February 7, 2001.

Frank R. Trinity,

Acting General Counsel.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 24

[WT Docket No. 97–82; FCC 01–17]

Installment Payment Financing for Personal Communications Services (PCS) Licensees

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; denial.

SUMMARY: This document denies five petitions for reconsideration (“Petitions”) of the Commission’s *Sixth Report and Order* and *Order on Reconsideration* (“*C/F Block Sixth Report and Order*”) challenging a number of the modifications to the C and F block service and auction rules. The Commission declines to further revise its rules and affirms its modifications as adopted in the *C/F Block Sixth Report and Order*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Regina Martin, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418–0660.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of an Order on

Reconsideration (*Order*) in WT Docket No. 97–82, adopted on January 16, 2001, and released on January 18, 2001. The complete text of the *Order* is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room CY–A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. It may also be purchased from the Commission’s copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS, Inc.), 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B400, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 314–3070. The *Order* is also available on the Internet at the Commission’s web site: <http://www.fec.gov/wtb/documents.html>.

I. Introduction

1. In the *Order*, we address the five petitions for reconsideration (“Petitions”) of the Commission’s *C/F Block Sixth Report and Order*, 65 FR 53624 (September 5, 2000). In that document we modified the auction and service rules for C and F block broadband Personal Communications Services (PCS) licenses. For the reasons set forth, we deny these Petitions and affirm our findings in the *C/F Block Sixth Report and Order*.

II. Background

2. The Commission outlined the original framework for C and F block auctions in the 1994 *Competitive Bidding Fifth Report and Order*, establishing the C and F blocks as “set-aside” licenses for “entrepreneurs” in which eligibility would be restricted to entities below a specified financial threshold. See 59 FR 37566 (July 22, 1994). These provisions were consistent with Congress’ mandate to promote participation of small businesses, rural telephone companies, and businesses owned by members of minority groups and women (collectively “designated entities”) in the provision of spectrum-based services. In addition, the Commission adopted special provisions for the C and F blocks to assist designated entities.

3. Section 309(j)(4) of the Communications Act directs the Commission, in prescribing regulations to implement the objectives of section 309(j)(3), to, *inter alia*: (i) Establish performance requirements to ensure prompt delivery of service to rural areas and prevent warehousing of spectrum by licensees; (ii) prescribe area designations and bandwidth assignments that promote an equitable geographic distribution of licenses and services, economic opportunity for a wide variety of applicants, including designated entities, and rapid deployment of services; and (iii) ensure