1631.20 Accounting and reporting to LSC.

A recipient must maintain an accounting of the amount of LSC funds relating to the purchase or maintenance of real estate purchased with LSC funds. The accounting must include the amount of LSC funds used to pay for acquisition costs, financing, and capital improvements. The recipient must provide the accounting for each year to LSC no later than April 30 of the following year or in its annual audited financial statements submitted to LSC.

1631.21 Disposing of real estate purchased with LSC funds.

(a) Disposal by LSC recipients. During the term of an LSC grant or contract, a recipient must seek LSC’s prior written approval to dispose of real estate purchased with LSC funds by:

(1) Selling the property after having advertised for and received offers; or

(2) Transferring the property to another recipient of LSC funds, in which case the recipient may be compensated by the recipient receiving the property for the percentage of the property’s current fair market value that is equal to the percentage of the costs of the original acquisition and costs of any capital improvements borne by non-LSC funds.

(b) Disposal after a recipient no longer receives LSC funding. When a recipient who owns real estate purchased with LSC funds stops receiving LSC funds, it must seek LSC’s prior written approval to dispose of the property in one of the following ways:

(1) Transfer the property title to another grantee of LSC funds, in which case the recipient may be compensated by the recipient receiving the property for the percentage of the property’s current fair market value that is equal to the percentage of the costs of the original acquisition and costs of any capital improvements borne by non-LSC funds;

(2) Buyout LSC’s interest in the property (i.e., pay LSC the percentage of the property’s current fair market value proportional to its interest in the property); or

(3) Sell the property to a third party and pay LSC a share of the sale proceeds proportional to its interest in the property, after deducting actual and reasonable closing costs, if any.

(4) When a recipient stops receiving LSC funds because it merged with or is succeeded by another recipient, it may transfer the property to the new recipient. The two entities must execute an LSC-approved successor in interest agreement that requires the transferee to use the property primarily to provide legal services to eligible clients under the requirements of the LSC Act, applicable appropriations acts, and LSC regulations.

(c) Prior approval process. No later than 60 days before a recipient or former recipient proposes to dispose of real estate purchased with LSC funds, the recipient or former recipients must submit a written request for prior approval to dispose of the property to LSC. The request must include:

(1) The proposed method of disposition and an explanation of why the proposed method is in the best interests of LSC and the recipient;

(2) Documentation showing the fair market value of the property at the time of transfer or sale, including, but not limited to, an independent appraisal of the property and competing bona fide offers to purchase the property;

(3) A description of the recipient’s process for advertising the property for sale and receiving offers;

(4) An accounting of all LSC funds used in the acquisition and any capital improvements of the property. The accounting must include the amount of LSC funds used to pay for acquisition costs, financing, and capital improvements; and

(5) Information on the proposed transferee or buyer of the property and a document evidencing the terms of transfer or sale.

1631.22 Retaining income from sale of real property purchased with LSC funds.

(a) During the term of an LSC grant or contract, a recipient may retain and use income from any sale of real property purchased with LSC funds according to §§ 1630.16 and 1628.3 of this chapter.

(b) The recipient must account for income earned from the sale, rent, or lease of real or personal property purchased with LSC funds according to the requirements of § 1630.16 of this chapter.

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Media Bureau Seeks Comment on Updates to Catalog of Reimbursement Expenses

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In this document the Media Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeks comment on updates to the catalog of eligible reimbursement expenses (Catalog) which contains costs for equipment and services that broadcasters and multichannel-video-programming-distributors (MVPDs) may incur as a result of the post-incentive auction repack and channel reassignment. In order to disburse money from the $1.75 billion TV Broadcaster Relocation Fund in accordance with the Spectrum Act and the Incentive Auction Report and Order, the Media Bureau seeks comment on changes to the Catalog, which include: Increases to the baseline costs previously proposed, the addition of new categories of reimbursement expenses, and the removal of other categories of expenses due to discontinuance or technological advancements. The Media Bureau also seeks comment on a proposed economic methodology for adjusting the baseline costs listed in the Catalog annually throughout the three-year reimbursement period.

DATES: Comments are due on November 14, 2016. Reply Comments are due on November 29, 2016.

ADDRESSES: All filings must be addressed to the Commission’s Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street SW., Washington, DC 20554. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service
reimbursement period. The Media Bureau proposes to modify the baseline costs contained in the Catalog annually based upon the Producer Price Indexes (PPI) annual average, specifically the WPUFD4 series, as calculated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and seeks comment on its proposal to do so. After considering the comments received, the Catalog the Media Bureau adopts will be embedded in the on-line Reimbursement Form, FCC Form 2100, Schedule 399, which will be used by entities seeking reimbursement to file estimated costs and reimbursement claims for actual costs incurred. The record obtained in response to this Public Notice will allow the Media Bureau to determine the methodology it will use to adjust the listed expenses in the Catalog during throughout the reimbursement period. After considering the comments filed in connection with the updated Catalog and our proposed economic methodology for adjusting the baseline costs, we will finalize the Catalog and the Reimbursement Form. Thereafter, we will resubmit the Reimbursement Form to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of the changes resulting from the modifications to the Catalog, as well as other minor modifications to the Reimbursement Form that are designed to assist filers in describing their claims. The public will have an opportunity to comment on the incremental data collections contained in the finalized Reimbursement Form, as required by the PRA, after we receive comments in response to the updated Catalog, and the finalized Reimbursement Form is submitted to OMB for approval under the PRA. This is a summary of the FCC’s document GN Docket No. 12–268; MB Docket No. 16–306; DA 16–1164 (released October 13, 2016). The full text of this document is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room CY–A257), 445 12th Street SW., Washington, DC 20554.

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