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SUCCESSFUL RURAL DIGITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND AUCTION TO EXPAND BROADBAND TO OVER 327,000 RURAL PENNSYLVANIANS

FCC Auction Allocates Over \$368 Million to Close the Digital Divide in Pennsylvania

WASHINGTON, December 7, 2020—The Federal Communications Commission today announced that an estimated 327,000 rural Americans living and working in Pennsylvania will gain access to high-speed broadband through the Commission’s Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I auction, according to auction results released today.

In Pennsylvania, the auction allocated \$368,743,200.30 in support to expand broadband to 184,505 unserved homes and businesses over the next 10 years. Nearly all locations in Pennsylvania that were eligible for the auction will be receiving access to broadband with speeds of at least 100/20 Mbps, with a majority (64%) getting gigabit-speed broadband. The auction unleashed robust competition that resulted in more locations being awarded at less cost to Americans who pay into the FCC’s Universal Service Fund.

“This historic auction is great news for the residents of so many rural Pennsylvania communities, who will get access to high-quality broadband service in areas that for too long have been on the wrong side of the digital divide,” said FCC Chairman Ajit Pai. “We structured this innovative and groundbreaking auction to prioritize bids for high-speed, low-latency services to deliver the best results for rural Americans, and the results show that this strategy worked. This auction was the Commission’s single largest step ever taken toward delivering digital opportunity to every American and is another key success in our ongoing commitment to universal service.”

Following is a list of winning bidders, number of homes and businesses to be served, and total support for 10 years in Pennsylvania, by county:

County	Bidder	Locations	Support
Adams	CenturyLink, Inc.	228	\$593,406
Adams	Connect Everyone LLC	1,032	\$1,525,507
Adams	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	515	\$687,126
	Adams, PA Total	1,775	\$2,806,038
Allegheny	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	36	\$20,316
Allegheny	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	747	\$486,460
Allegheny	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	114	\$180,474
	Allegheny, PA Total	897	\$687,250
Armstrong	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	57	\$58,185
Armstrong	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,356	\$4,805,328

County	Bidder	Locations	Support
	Armstrong, PA Total	1,413	\$4,863,513
Beaver	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	575	\$593,551
Beaver	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	259	\$716,028
	Beaver, PA Total	834	\$1,309,579
Bedford	CenturyLink, Inc.	2,959	\$14,980,392
Bedford	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	395	\$1,025,615
Bedford	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2,805	\$4,090,243
Bedford	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	300	\$1,257,726
	Bedford, PA Total	6,459	\$21,353,976
Berks	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,239	\$1,464,002
Berks	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	529	\$765,486
	Berks, PA Total	1,768	\$2,229,488
Blair	CenturyLink, Inc.	264	\$288,816
Blair	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2,405	\$2,012,143
Blair	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	592	\$1,494,756
	Blair, PA Total	3,261	\$3,795,715
Bradford	Co-op Connections Consortium	4,499	\$17,219,669
Bradford	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	1,271	\$3,300,144
Bradford	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	467	\$783,868
Bradford	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	312	\$1,558,501
	Bradford, PA Total	6,549	\$22,862,181
Bucks	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	701	\$323,324
	Bucks, PA Total	701	\$323,324
Butler	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	104	\$122,321
Butler	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,859	\$2,876,831
Butler	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	7	\$26,022
	Butler, PA Total	1,970	\$3,025,174
Cambria	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2,240	\$2,387,864
Cambria	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,317	\$2,851,321
	Cambria, PA Total	3,557	\$5,239,185
Cameron	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	16	\$48,241
Cameron	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	690	\$2,132,042
	Cameron, PA Total	706	\$2,180,283
Carbon	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	300	\$778,948
Carbon	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	359	\$159,969
Carbon	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	68	\$60,948
	Carbon, PA Total	727	\$999,865
Centre	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	2,465	\$2,857,833
Centre	Commnet Wireless, LLC	671	\$829,807
Centre	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	952	\$802,773

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Centre	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	354	\$1,125,474
	Centre, PA Total	4,442	\$5,615,888
Chester	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	40	\$28,614
Chester	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	256	\$664,702
Chester	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	532	\$430,276
Chester	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	110	\$118,974
	Chester, PA Total	938	\$1,242,566
Clarion	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	277	\$244,099
Clarion	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,939	\$10,575,440
	Clarion, PA Total	3,216	\$10,819,539
Clearfield	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,723	\$1,517,882
Clearfield	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,300	\$7,850,169
	Clearfield, PA Total	4,023	\$9,368,051
Clinton	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	718	\$854,100
Clinton	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	54	\$245,642
	Clinton, PA Total	772	\$1,099,742
Columbia	Commnet Wireless, LLC	229	\$295,782
Columbia	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	141	\$366,106
Columbia	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	912	\$725,125
Columbia	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,937	\$6,769,819
	Columbia, PA Total	4,219	\$8,156,832
Crawford	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	38	\$20,253
Crawford	CCO Holdings, LLC (Charter Communications)	122	\$215,049
Crawford	NexTier Consortium	1,247	\$1,045,860
Crawford	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	491	\$347,211
Crawford	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,935	\$6,147,645
	Crawford, PA Total	4,833	\$7,776,018
Cumberland	Connect Everyone LLC	2,324	\$4,020,615
Cumberland	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	686	\$865,002
	Cumberland, PA Total	3,010	\$4,885,617
Dauphin	Connect Everyone LLC	202	\$349,468
Dauphin	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	435	\$1,129,475
Dauphin	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	238	\$343,738
	Dauphin, PA Total	875	\$1,822,681
Delaware	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	178	\$129,896
	Delaware, PA Total	178	\$129,896
Elk	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,288	\$5,077,543
	Elk, PA Total	1,288	\$5,077,543
Erie	CCO Holdings, LLC (Charter Communications)	2,772	\$2,158,725

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Erie	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	207	\$172,222
Erie	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	120	\$258,098
	Erie, PA Total	3,099	\$2,589,045
Fayette	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	185	\$80,508
Fayette	QCOL, Inc.	88	\$235,146
Fayette	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	3,403	\$3,432,035
Fayette	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	20	\$45,870
	Fayette, PA Total	3,696	\$3,793,559
Forest	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	211	\$244,384
Forest	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,786	\$6,280,954
	Forest, PA Total	2,997	\$6,525,338
Franklin	CenturyLink, Inc.	1,604	\$3,147,492
Franklin	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	180	\$467,369
Franklin	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2,626	\$3,075,483
	Franklin, PA Total	4,410	\$6,690,344
Fulton	CenturyLink, Inc.	79	\$499,443
Fulton	Commnet Wireless, LLC	843	\$1,115,130
Fulton	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	3,203	\$8,316,569
Fulton	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	225	\$185,538
	Fulton, PA Total	4,350	\$10,116,681
Greene	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,879	\$13,961,044
	Greene, PA Total	2,879	\$13,961,044
Huntingdon	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	279	\$1,029,504
Huntingdon	CenturyLink, Inc.	408	\$1,425,906
Huntingdon	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	623	\$1,617,616
Huntingdon	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,167	\$1,611,066
Huntingdon	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	811	\$2,692,692
	Huntingdon, PA Total	3,288	\$8,376,784
Indiana	Commnet Wireless, LLC	133	\$291,526
Indiana	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,240	\$1,454,209
Indiana	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	4,538	\$12,407,498
	Indiana, PA Total	5,911	\$14,153,233
Jefferson	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	220	\$280,574
Jefferson	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,684	\$5,446,518
	Jefferson, PA Total	1,904	\$5,727,092
Juniata	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	1,550	\$3,283,062
Juniata	Commnet Wireless, LLC	403	\$425,904
Juniata	Connect Everyone LLC	3,098	\$4,924,486
Juniata	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	117	\$63,051
	Juniata, PA Total	5,168	\$8,696,502
Lackawanna	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	557	\$1,446,247
Lackawanna	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,708	\$1,447,989
	Lackawanna, PA Total	2,265	\$2,894,236

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Lancaster	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	1,591	\$4,131,022
Lancaster	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,657	\$1,254,363
Lancaster	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,299	\$1,800,143
	Lancaster, PA Total	4,547	\$7,185,528
Lawrence	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	553	\$782,557
Lawrence	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	551	\$973,422
	Lawrence, PA Total	1,104	\$1,755,979
Lebanon	Connect Everyone LLC	159	\$272,977
Lebanon	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	389	\$330,309
Lebanon	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	65	\$133,845
	Lebanon, PA Total	613	\$737,132
Lehigh	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	57	\$56,241
Lehigh	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	81	\$283,698
	Lehigh, PA Total	138	\$339,939
Luzerne	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	738	\$1,916,212
Luzerne	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,646	\$1,565,225
Luzerne	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	807	\$2,420,112
	Luzerne, PA Total	3,191	\$5,901,550
Lycoming	Co-op Connections Consortium	1,016	\$3,031,788
Lycoming	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	145	\$376,492
Lycoming	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	719	\$605,981
Lycoming	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,703	\$7,473,484
	Lycoming, PA Total	4,583	\$11,487,744
McKean	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	809	\$688,928
McKean	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,199	\$3,954,468
	McKean, PA Total	2,008	\$4,643,396
Mercer	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	59	\$13,852
Mercer	Connect Everyone LLC	1,098	\$1,453,539
Mercer	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	352	\$448,071
Mercer	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,835	\$4,317,810
	Mercer, PA Total	3,344	\$6,233,272
Mifflin	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	1,304	\$2,280,756
Mifflin	CenturyLink, Inc.	72	\$548,430
Mifflin	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	515	\$585,724
Mifflin	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,290	\$4,457,182
Mifflin	Zito West Holding, LLC	279	\$457,596
	Mifflin, PA Total	4,460	\$8,329,688
Monroe	Commnet Wireless, LLC	73	\$59,932
Monroe	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	87	\$225,895
Monroe	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	496	\$307,372
	Monroe, PA Total	656	\$593,199

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Montgomery	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	470	\$212,220
Montgomery	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	88	\$41,442
	Montgomery, PA Total	558	\$253,662
Montour	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	293	\$280,222
Montour	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,290	\$3,349,277
	Montour, PA Total	1,583	\$3,629,499
Northumberland	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	87	\$309,442
Northumberland	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	824	\$647,486
Northumberland	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,282	\$3,374,650
	Northumberland, PA Total	2,193	\$4,331,578
Perry	Connect Everyone LLC	2,824	\$6,632,135
Perry	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,242	\$826,299
Perry	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	134	\$280,035
	Perry, PA Total	4,200	\$7,738,469
Philadelphia	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	970	\$480,244
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Pike	Commnet Wireless, LLC	1,195	\$800,144
Pike	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	527	\$411,769
	Pike, PA Total	1,722	\$1,211,913
Potter	Co-op Connections Consortium	1,800	\$4,329,860
Potter	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	112	\$50,293
	Potter, PA Total	1,912	\$4,380,153
Schuylkill	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	555	\$1,441,054
Schuylkill	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,326	\$1,269,743
Schuylkill	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	891	\$2,289,954
	Schuylkill, PA Total	2,772	\$5,000,751
Snyder	Centre WISP Venture Company, LLC	922	\$1,325,752
Snyder	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	558	\$360,242
Snyder	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	3,381	\$8,174,181
	Snyder, PA Total	4,861	\$9,860,175
Somerset	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	3,066	\$5,039,647
	Somerset, PA Total	3,066	\$5,039,647
Sullivan	Commnet Wireless, LLC	751	\$1,754,702
Sullivan	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	2,748	\$7,135,165
	Sullivan, PA Total	3,499	\$8,889,866
Susquehanna	Co-op Connections Consortium	3,655	\$13,593,349
Susquehanna	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	1,982	\$5,146,251
Susquehanna	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	65	\$84,771
	Susquehanna, PA Total	5,702	\$18,824,370
Tioga	CCO Holdings, LLC (Charter Communications)	2,208	\$1,097,364
Tioga	Co-op Connections Consortium	624	\$1,543,698
Tioga	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	373	\$968,492
Tioga	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	176	\$318,390

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Tioga	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	406	\$917,280
	Tioga, PA Total	3,787	\$4,845,224
Union	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	2,003	\$3,352,028
	Union, PA Total	2,003	\$3,352,028
Venango	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,269	\$2,143,086
Venango	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	1,022	\$2,488,260
	Venango, PA Total	2,291	\$4,631,346
Warren	CCO Holdings, LLC (Charter Communications)	226	\$8,061
Warren	NexTier Consortium	3,213	\$4,059,516
	Warren, PA Total	3,439	\$4,067,577
Washington	Armstrong Telephone Company - Northern Division	74	\$59,034
Washington	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	2,310	\$3,338,718
Washington	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	894	\$3,144,822
	Washington, PA Total	3,278	\$6,542,574
Wayne	Commnet Wireless, LLC	2,235	\$1,051,755
Wayne	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	4,492	\$4,242,191
	Wayne, PA Total	6,727	\$5,293,946
Westmoreland	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,388	\$1,364,461
Westmoreland	Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In-Possession	326	\$668,076
	Westmoreland, PA Total	1,714	\$2,032,537
Wyoming	Co-op Connections Consortium	846	\$2,904,398
Wyoming	Frontier Communications Corporation, DIP	202	\$524,492
Wyoming	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	80	\$92,395
	Wyoming, PA Total	1,128	\$3,521,285
York	Connect Everyone LLC	3,055	\$5,335,261
York	Space Exploration Technologies Corp.	1,023	\$1,079,867
	York, PA Total	4,078	\$6,415,129
TOTAL		184,505	\$368,743,200

The Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I auction is part of a broader effort by the FCC to close the digital divide in rural America. In October 2020, the Commission [adopted rules](#) creating the 5G Fund for Rural America, which will distribute up to \$9 billion over the next decade to bring 5G wireless broadband connectivity to rural America.

More information on the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I Auction is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/auction/904>.

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