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FCC CAF II Auction (Auction 903) Results – Minnesota Winning Bidders

Company	Annual Support Awarded*	Total # of Locations	Speed Offered
Broadband Corp	\$42,811.70	128	At least 100/20
Consolidated Telephone Co.	\$93,493.38	358	At least 1G/250M
Farmers Mutual Tel. Co.	\$34,899.16	163	At least 1G/250M
Federal Telephone Coop.	\$143,103.88	808	At least 1G/250M
Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee	\$5,501.08	13	At least 1G/250M
Garden Valley Telephone Company	\$88,034.60	95	At least 1G/250M
Halstad Telephone Company	\$1,963.52	7	At least 1G/250M
Interstate Communications Coop	\$55,232.96	209	At least 1G/250M
Jaguar Communications, Inc.	\$51,058.76	672	At least 1G/250M
Johnson Telephone Company	\$8,127.25	47	At least 1G/250M
LTD Broadband LLC	\$110,444.08	840	At least 25/3
Midcontinent Communications	\$2,797,728.38	7,410	At least 100/20
Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Coop	\$131,354.26	315	At least 1G/250M
Roseau Electric Cooperative, Inc.	\$208,176.97	326	At least 1G/250M
West Central Telephone Association	\$61,193.44	532	At least 1G/250M
Wikstrom Telephone Company	\$53,255.68	56	At least 1G/250M
TOTAL for Minnesota	\$3,886,379.10	11,979	

*Annual support will be received each year for ten years.

FCC CAF II Auction Results – Top States

State	Total Support (10 Year Total)	Total # of Locations
Missouri	\$254,773,118	95,130
California	\$149,026,913	51,682
Oklahoma	\$113,599,114	70,727
Virginia	\$108,923,613	39,896
Illinois	\$99,729,909	32,124
Texas	\$82,420,436	35,933
Pennsylvania	\$56,831,061	54,812
Iowa	\$54,287,717	16,759
Arkansas	\$51,988,094	16,048
Kansas	\$46,798,657	13,817
Nebraska	\$41,117,139	8,900
Minnesota	\$38,863,791	11,979
Michigan	\$33,892,020	21,451
North Dakota	\$7,226,602	1,603
South Dakota	\$5,086,429	927
Wisconsin	\$4,709,505	7,789

The 713,176 locations assigned had an initial reserve price of \$5B over the next decade, the final price tag to cover these locations is now only \$1.488B.

Providers must build out to 40% of the locations in a state within three years of becoming authorized to receive support. Buildout must increase by 20% in each subsequent year until complete buildout is reached at the end of the sixth year.

Providers must offer a voice and a broadband product and at rates that are reasonably comparable to similar service in urban areas. (The FCC uses its Urban Rate Survey to determine the range.)

Winning bidders now must:

- Provide in their long form applications additional information about qualifications, funding and the network they intend to use. (Long Form applications due October 15, 2018.)
- Submit a letter from an eligible bank committing to issuing a letter of credit. Due November 5, 2018.
- Within 180 days of being announced as winning bidders, certify they are eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) in any areas for which they seek support and submit relevant documentation. (Based on a review of websites, it appears that Broadband Corp, Fond du Lac Reservation Business Committee, Jaguar, LTD Broadband and Roseau Electric Cooperative, Inc. will need to obtain initial ETC designation. The remaining winning bidders will need to have their existing state ETC designation expanded to include the areas that contain the locations they must serve.) Due February 25, 2019.