

Government Decree

on Radio Spectrum Auction in the 25.1–27.5 GHz Spectrum

By decision of the Government, the following is enacted pursuant to section 11, subsection 3; section 286, subsection 1; and section 287, subsection 2 of the Act on Electronic Communication Services (917/2014) as amended by Act 1003/2018:

Section 1

Scope of application

This Decree lays down provisions on issuing network licences through an auction process provided in section 11 of the Act on Electronic Communication Services (917/2014) for the spectrum of 25.1–27.5 GHz in mainland Finland.

Section 2

Number of frequency bands to be allocated

Within the 25.1–27.5 GHz spectrum, three frequency bands of 800 MHz will be auctioned. An enterprise, organisation or association may be allocated a maximum of 800 MHz of frequency band.

Section 3

Auction format

The frequency bands will be auctioned at the same time in several bidding rounds with ascending bids.

Section 4

Starting price for the radio frequencies

A starting price for the frequencies to be auctioned is EUR 7 million per one frequency band of 800 MHz.

Section 5

Participation fee

A fee to be paid to the Transport and Communications Agency Traficom for participating in the auction is EUR 40,000.

Section 6

Licence fee

The licence fee is to be paid in five annual equal instalments starting from the granting of the licence.

Section 7

Entry into force

This decree enters into force on 15 April 2020.

Helsinki, 8 April 2020

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