

subscribers in areas where it is not feasible to provide communication services by wire or other means.

*Rural subscriber station.* One or more fixed transmitters in the Rural Radiotelephone Service that receive service from central office transmitters.

*Service area.* The geographic area considered by the FCC to be reliably served by a station in the Public Mobile Services.

*Service contour.* The locus of points surrounding a transmitter where the predicted median field strength of the signal from that transmitter is the minimum field strength that is considered sufficient to provide reliable service to mobile stations.

*Service to subscribers.* Service to at least one subscriber that is not affiliated with, controlled by or related to the providing carrier.

*Signal booster.* A stationary device that automatically reradiates signals from base transmitters without channel translation, for the purpose of improving the reliability of existing service by increasing the signal strength in dead spots.

*Station.* A station equipped to engage in radio communication or radio transmission of energy (47 U.S.C. 153(k)).

*Telecommunications common carrier.* An individual, partnership, association, joint-stock company, trust or corporation engaged in rendering radio telecommunications services to the general public for hire.

*Temporary fixed station.* One or more fixed transmitters that normally do not remain at any particular location for longer than 6 months.

*Universal licensing system.* The Universal Licensing System (ULS) is the consolidated database, application filing system, and processing system for all Wireless Radio Services. ULS supports electronic filing of all applications and related documents by applicants and licensees in the Wireless Radio Services, and provides public access to licensing information.

*Unserved areas.* With regard to a channel block allocated for assignment in the Cellular Radiotelephone Service: Geographic area in the District of Columbia, or any State, Territory or possession of the United States of America that is not within the CGSA of any cel-

lular system authorized to transmit on that channel block. With regard to a channel allocated for assignment in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service: Geographic area within the District of Columbia, or any State, Territory or possession of the United States of America that is not within the service contour of any base transmitter in any station authorized to transmit on that channel.

*Wireline common carrier.* A telecommunications common carrier that is also engaged in the business of providing landline local exchange telephone service.

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### Subpart B—Licensing Requirements and Procedures

#### APPLICATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS

#### § 22.107 General application requirements.

In general, applications for authorizations, assignments of authorizations, or consent to transfer of control of licensees in the Public Mobile Services must:

(a) Demonstrate the applicant's qualifications to hold an authorization in the Public Mobile services;

(b) State how a grant would serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity;

(c) Contain all information required by FCC rules or application forms;

(d) Propose operation of a facility in compliance with all rules governing the Public Mobile service;

(e) Be amended as necessary to remain substantially accurate and complete in all significant respects, in accordance with the provisions of § 1.65 of this chapter; and,

(f) Be signed in accordance with § 1.743 of this chapter.

#### § 22.131 Procedures for mutually exclusive applications.

Two or more pending applications are mutually exclusive if the grant of one application would effectively preclude the grant of one or more of the others under Commission rules governing the