

inspect for the presence and function of carbon monoxide detectors. This constitutes an affirmative requirement for the installation of carbon monoxide detectors for properties/units that contain a fuel-burning appliance, fuel-burning fireplace, or are in buildings with attached private garages with an opening connected to the dwelling unit or sleeping unit.

- For the purposes of meeting various program requirements, HUD will carry forward for demonstration properties the most recent inspection score in HUD's Physical Assessment Subsystem (PASS).

## VI. Solicitation of Public Comment

In accordance with section 470 of the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983 (42 U.S.C. 3542), HUD is seeking comment on the demonstration. Section 470 provides that HUD may not begin a demonstration program not expressly authorized by statute until a description of the demonstration program is published in the **Federal Register** and a 60-day period expires following the date of publication, during which time HUD solicits public comment and considers the comments submitted. HUD has established a public comment period of 60 days. The 60-day public comment period allows HUD the opportunity to consider those comments and be in a position to commence implementation of the demonstration following the conclusion of the public comment period. While HUD solicits comment on all aspects of the demonstration, HUD specifically solicits comment on the following:

1. Are there specific H&S deficiencies that should be added to the current list of EH&S or H&S deficiencies?
2. Is the new model's focus on health, safety, and function while limiting the inspection of some condition and appearance deficiencies appropriate and acceptable?
3. Are there other property characteristics HUD should consider in its inspection and scoring protocols?
4. What inspection incentives should HUD consider providing to high-performing properties and what criteria should be included to determine that status?
5. Are there aspects of the new model that would be a higher administrative burden than the current model?
6. Are there any low-value aspects of the UPCS model that HUD should not carry forward into NSPIRE?

HUD requests that POAs interested in participating in the demonstration

follow the application guidance available on HUD's "NSPIRE" website: [https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/reac/nspire](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/reac/nspire).

Dated: August 13, 2019.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### 26 CFR Part 1

[REG-121508-18]

RIN 1545-BO97

#### Multiple Employer Plans; Correction

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Correction to a notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This document contains a correction to a notice of proposed rulemaking (REG-121508-18) that was published in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2019. The proposed regulations relate to the tax qualification of plans maintained by more than one employer. **DATES:** Written or electronic comments and requests for a public hearing are still being accepted and must be received by October 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit electronic submissions via the Federal eRulemaking Portal at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (indicate IRS and REG-121508-18) by following the online instructions for submitting comments. Once submitted to the Federal eRulemaking Portal, comments cannot be edited or withdrawn. The Department of the Treasury (Treasury Department) and the IRS will publish for public availability any comment received to its public docket, whether submitted electronically or in hard copy. Send hard copy submissions to: CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG-121508-18), Room 5203, Internal Revenue Service, P.O. Box 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Submissions may be hand-delivered Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to CC:PA:LPD:PR (REG-121508-18), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Concerning the proposed regulations, Pamela Kinard at (202) 317-6000 or Jamie Dvoretzky at (202) 317-4102;

concerning submission of comments or to request a public hearing, email or call Regina Johnson at [fdms.database@irs.counsel.treas.gov](mailto:fdms.database@irs.counsel.treas.gov) or (202) 317-6901 (not toll-free numbers).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The proposed regulations that are the subject of this correction are under section 413 of the Internal Revenue Code.

##### Need for Correction

As published, the notice of proposed rulemaking (REG-121508-18) contains errors which may prove to be misleading and need to be clarified.

##### Correction of Publication

Accordingly, the notice of proposed rulemaking (REG-121508-18) that was the subject of FR Doc. 2019-14123, published at 84 FR 31777 (July 3, 2019), is corrected to read as follows:

- 1. On page 31781, second column, the third line from the top of the second full paragraph, the language "that, if a 413(c)" is corrected to read "that, if a section 413(c)".
- 2. On page 31781, second column, the eleventh line from the bottom of the second full paragraph, the language "will be conditioned on the 413(c) plan" is corrected to read "will be conditioned on the section 413(c) plan".
- 3. On page 31783, first column, the last line of the second full paragraph, the language, "small employers to adopt these plans." is corrected to read "small employers adopting these plans."
- 4. On page 31784, first column, the last line of the first full paragraph, the language "employees and employee participants." is corrected to read "employers and employee participants."
- 5. On page 31784, third column, the eleventh line from the bottom of the first full paragraph, the language "included both administrative and" is corrected to read "includes both administrative and".
- 6. On page 31785, first column, beginning on the fifth line from the bottom of the page, the language "to attach auditor's reports" is corrected to read "to attach auditors' reports".
- 7. On page 31788, third column, the eighth line from the top of the first full paragraph, the language "employer and to the Department of Labor." is corrected to read "employer (and their beneficiaries) and to the Department of Labor."

##### § 1.413-2 [Corrected]

- 8. On page 31794, the second column, the sixth line of paragraph (g)(7)(i)(A),

the language, “(g)(7)(iii) of this section.” is corrected to read “(g)(7)(iii) of this section;”.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 54

[WC Docket Nos. 19-126, 10-90; FCC 19-77]

### Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, Connect America Fund

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) proposes to establish the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund and seeks comment on its overall approach in doing so.

**DATES:** Comments are due on or before September 20, 2019 and reply comments are due on or before October 21, 2019. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this document, you should advise the contact listed in the following as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- *Electronic Filers:* Comments may be filed electronically using the internet by accessing the ECFS: <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.

- *Paper Filers:* Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the

Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of *before* entering the building.

- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701.

- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554.

Comments and reply comments must include a short and concise summary of the substantive arguments raised in the pleading. Comments and reply comments must also comply with section 1.49 and all other applicable sections of the Commission's rules. The Commission directs all interested parties to include the name of the filing party and the date of the filing on each page of their comments and reply comments. All parties are encouraged to use a table of contents, regardless of the length of their submission. The Commission also strongly encourages parties to track the organization set forth in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in order to facilitate its internal review process.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Alexander Minard, Wireline Competition Bureau, (202) 418-7400 or TTY: (202) 418-0484.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in WC Docket Nos. 19-126, 10-90; FCC 19-77, adopted on August 1, 2019 and released on August 2, 2019. The full text of this document is available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554 or at the following internet address: <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-proposes->

*204-billion-rural-digital-opportunity-fund-0.*

## I. Introduction

1. Broadband access is critical to economic opportunity, job creation, education and civic engagement. That is why closing the digital divide is the Commission's top priority. For communities throughout our nation to thrive and prosper, their residents must have the option to obtain high-speed internet access.

2. Last year, the Commission took a major step forward in expanding broadband access to many parts of rural America. As a result of the Commission's successful Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase II auction, the Commission has begun providing \$1.488 billion in universal service support over ten years to build high-speed broadband service to over 700,000 households and small businesses in 45 states, with 99.75% of locations receiving at least 25/3 Mbps service and more than half receiving at least 100/20 Mbps service.

3. But more work remains to be done. For example, more than 10 million households and small businesses in price cap areas still lack access to critical broadband services that offer speeds of at least 25 megabits per second (Mbps) downstream and 3 Mbps upstream in unserved census blocks, including more than 7 million in rural areas. In this document, the Commission proposes to build on the success of the CAF Phase II auction by establishing the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, which will commit at least \$20.4 billion over the next decade to support high-speed broadband networks in rural America. Because the CAF Phase II auction secured higher quality services for consumers at a lower cost to the Universal Service Fund (Fund), the Commission proposes to conduct a multi-round, reverse, descending clock auction that favors faster services with lower latency and encourages intermodal competition. And in light of the need to bring service both to consumers in wholly unserved areas as well as those living in partially served areas, the Commission proposes to assign funding in two phases: Phase I will target those areas that current data confirm are wholly unserved, and Phase II will target those areas that are partially served as well as any areas not won in the first phase. By relying on a two-phase process, as the Commission did with the Connect America Fund, the Commission can move expeditiously to commence an auction in 2020 while