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High Cost Universal Broadband (HUBB) & Performance Measures Module (PMM) Reminders

HUBB Reporting

Carriers receiving modernized Connect America Fund (CAF) support must file High-Cost Universal Broadband (HUBB) deployment data via USAC's HUBB portal by March 1, 2023. *Failure to report deployment locations may result in funding being withheld.*

Here are the steps your company needs to complete to remain in compliance:

- A. Load 2022 deployment information in the HUBB
- B. Certify all locations loaded in the HUBB on the Location Details tab
 a. If no location deployments, certify No Locations
- C. If applicable, certify the appropriate **milestone** at the appropriate **speed tier** on the **Milestone Certification and Reporting** tab. Information regarding deployment obligations can be found on the <u>USAC</u> <u>Website</u>.

Note: Even if your company has no new locations to report, you still need to certify that there are no new locations to report.

PMM New Samples Reminder for Certain Carriers

Carriers participating in the below programs are required to obtain new random samples for speed and latency testing. *New sample locations MUST be obtained and used beginning first quarter 2023 and continuing for the next two years*.

- ACAM
- Revised ACAM
- Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE)
- Alaska Plan

Note: Carriers participating in multiple funding programs must meet the PMM requirements specific to each fund.

Late HUBB Certification Impact

Eligible telecommunications carriers (ETC's) will see a *reduction of at least seven days of support for late certifications*. After the first seven days, USAC will continue to reduce support on a day-by-day basis, plus an additional seven days, until the required certification is complete. A carrier would lose seven days of support for a certification that is four days late, for instance. And a carrier would lose 21 days of support for a certification that is 14 days late. [Report and Order (FCC 14-190), section C, numbers 131-132]

Additional Information

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