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SECTION 2 – REGULATIONS

2.14 HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS SUPPORT PROGRAM (Cont'd)

2.14.2 REGULATIONS

- A. To be eligible for the reduced rates, rural health care providers are required to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the FCC Rules.
- B. Reduced rates are available only to the extent that they are funded by the federal universal service fund.
- C. Eligible rural health care providers may aggregate demand with other entities to create a consortium. Universal service support shall apply only to the portion of eligible services used by an eligible health care provider.
- D. Responsibility of eligible health care providers:
 - 1. Rural health care providers and consortia shall participate in a competitive bidding process for all services eligible for reduced rates in accordance with any state and local procurement rules.
 - 2. Rural health care providers and consortia shall submit requests for services to the program Administrator, as designated by the FCC, and follow established procedures.
 - 3. Services requested must be used for purposes related to the provision of health care services or instruction that the health care provider is legally authorized to provide under the law.
 - 4. A health care provider that cannot obtain toll free access to an Internet service provider and who is eligible for support for limited toll-free access under the Rules must certify that it lacks toll-free Internet access and that it is an eligible health care provider.
 - 5. Services cannot be sold, resold or transferred in consideration for money or any other thing of value.

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