

FY2019-FY 2021 FCC Form 470 Category One Services Drop-Down Menu Reference Table

Effective July 1, 2018, USAC has modified the options on the FCC Form 470 Category One services drop-down menu for Funding Year (FY) 2019 through FY 2021. To ensure FY2019 applicants request the drop-down menu option that includes the services they intend to request, the reference table below provides additional information regarding those options.

- The left-hand column describes the services included in each drop-down menu option.
- The middle column contains the corresponding drop-down menu option that should be selected to seek bids on the services described in the left-hand column.
- The right-hand column indicates whether choosing that drop-down menu option will require an applicant to create a request for proposals (RFP) document that provides a detailed description of the service(s) requested.

We remind applicants that their FCC Forms 470 must include sufficient information for vendors and service providers to respond to their requests for services. It is suggested that applicants include basic service information, like the addresses of the locations that will be served and any unique technical qualifications of the services requested. In most cases, this information will be included in the RFP document. If applicants are not submitting an RFP document, they should include this information in the narrative field on the FCC Form 470.

For example, if applicants are seeking a bundled service (e.g., internet access and transport service over a leased lit fiber network), they must identify the locations where they are seeking service and explain in the narrative field that they are requesting a bundled service that includes both internet access and transport services.

If you intend to request bids for:	You must choose the following FCC Form 470 drop-down menu option:	RFP Required by EPC?
<p>A fiber-based service where the service provider owns and manages the network, and the applicant pays a recurring fee to have data transported over the fiber-based network.</p> <p>Examples include: lit fiber wide-area network (WAN) circuits, bundled internet access and lit fiber transport, point-to-point circuits over lit fiber, or any “finished” end-to-end service provided over lit fiber.</p>	<p>Leased Lit Fiber (with or without internet access)</p>	<p>No</p>

If you intend to request bids for:	You must choose the following FCC Form 470 drop-down menu option:	RFP Required by EPC?
Internet access service bundled with transport service over a non-fiber transport medium (e.g., copper, microwave, or coaxial cable but NOT leased lit or leased dark fiber).	Internet Access and Transport Bundled (Non-Fiber)	No
Internet access service bundled with transport service over any type of transport medium. To receive bids for services over both fiber and non-fiber networks, applicants must select both options listed to the right.	Internet Access and Transport Bundled (Non-Fiber) - and - Leased Lit Fiber (with or without internet access)	No
Data transmission service only (service that does not include internet access) over a non-fiber transport medium (e.g., copper, microwave, or coaxial cable, but NOT leased lit or leased dark fiber).	Transport Only – No ISP Service Included (Non-Fiber)	No
Internet access service only (service that does not include transport).	Internet Access: ISP Service Only (No Transport Circuit Included)	No
Leased capacity on a dark fiber network that is owned and maintained by a service provider (i.e., a specific number of fiber strands). This includes a dark fiber lease or indefeasible rights of use (IRU). The applicant intends to pay separately for the modulating equipment needed to light the dark fiber and transmit data over that leased dark fiber.	Leased Dark Fiber and Leased Lit Fiber <u>Note:</u> Pursuant to program rules, applicants requesting bids for leased dark fiber must also request bids for leased lit fiber. This dropdown seeks bids for both leased lit and leased dark fiber.	Yes

If you intend to request bids for:	You must choose the following FCC Form 470 drop-down menu option:	RFP Required by EPC?
<p>A vendor to construct a broadband network or a portion of a broadband network that will then be used for data transmission and/or internet access. The applicant will exclusively own and maintain that network or portion of the network, including all the fiber strands and conduit.</p>	<p>Self-Provisioned Network (Applicant Owned and Operated Network) and Services Provided Over Third-Party Networks</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Pursuant to program rules, applicants requesting bids for a self-provisioned network must also request bids for services provided over a third-party network. This dropdown seeks bids for both a self-provisioned network and services provided over a third-party network.</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Modulating electronics or other equipment necessary to make a data transmission and/or internet access Category One service functional. Applicants will no longer request this service under the “Other” option.</p>	<p>Network Equipment</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Maintenance and operations on Category One services for leased dark fiber or a self-provisioned network. Applicants will no longer request this service under the “Other” option.</p>	<p>Maintenance & Operations</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>A commercial wireless data plan.</p>	<p>Cellular Data Plan/Air Card Service</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>A service not included in one of the previously listed options (e.g., a unique hybrid solution). This option is no longer used to request bids for Network Equipment or Maintenance & Operations services. Only select this option if the service you would like to request is not included in the previous options.</p>	<p>Other</p> <p>Note: Applicants must include a general description of the service they want to request in the Other Comment field on the FCC Form 470.</p>	<p>Yes</p>