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TIP OF THE WEEK: If you have not yet filed your Item 21 Attachment for FY2007, please do so as soon as possible. You can [file online](#), but you must remember to push the "Submit" button before USAC can access your attachment.

Commitments for Funding Years 2006

Funding Year 2006. USAC will release FY2006 Wave 52 FCDLs May 16. This wave will include commitments for approved Internal Connections and Basic Maintenance funding requests at 86% and above and denials at 84% and below. As of May 11, FY2006 commitments total just under \$1.91 billion.

After noon on the date that the FCDLs are mailed, you can check to see if you have a commitment by using USAC's [Automated Search of Commitments](#) tool.

New Funding Year Options for Online Forms

Two funding year options have been activated on the [Apply Online](#) page of the USAC website:

- If you have received a funding commitment for FY2007, you can now file a Form 486 for FY2007 from the Apply Online page. If you would like to file Form 486 early – that is, if you are filing in advance of your July 2007 Service Start Date – you should review the early filing requirements in the [Form 486 Filing Information](#) and the [Form 486 Instructions](#).
- If your procurement cycle is long and you would like to file a Form 470 for FY2008 now, you can also do so from the Apply Online page. Note that FY2008 is now the only option for filing a Form 470 online.

You can also file these forms on paper if you choose to do so.

FY2007 Selective Review Information Requests

Each year a certain number of applicants undergo a Selective Review, which is a more detailed version of Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) review. A Selective Review asks for additional information on the technology plan, the competitive bidding process, and the budget for a particular Billed Entity.

Billed Entities chosen for a Selective Review receive a fax that details the information needed to complete the review. A sample of the [FY2007 Selective Review Information Request \(SRIR\)](#) is now available on the USAC website. Note that this document is for reference only. Do not print out and complete it unless PIA has notified you that you have been chosen for a Selective Review and faxed you a copy of the SRIR.

The FY2007 SRIR asks for a few pieces of information that were not included for FY2006:

- The release date and due date for responses to your Request for Proposal (RFP), if you issued one
- The creation date for your technology plan (Remember that you must have at least a draft of your technology plan before you file your Form 470.)
- A list of any Funding Request Numbers for which no bids were received
- An explanation of any line items in your budget for software, retrofitting, and maintenance for which you have no expenditures, contributions, or in-kind donations. (In other words, your entry in any of the fields on these lines is \$0.)

You will have 30 days to respond to the SRIR, and you can request additional time if you need it in order to make a full and accurate response.

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