

under subchapter III of this chapter, except that if qualified applications from such entities are not received in an amount or at such times sufficient to use such 10 percent amount during any fiscal year, the Secretary shall make the remainder of such amount available to other eligible borrowers during such fiscal year.

(May 20, 1936, ch. 432, title V, § 502, as added Nov. 28, 1990, Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2345, 104 Stat. 4030; amended Dec. 13, 1991, Pub. L. 102-237, title VII, § 703(d), 105 Stat. 1881; Oct. 13, 1994, Pub. L. 103-354, title II, § 235(a)(13), 108 Stat. 3221.)

AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsecs. (a)(1), (b)(1), (3), (c)(1), (e). Pub. L. 103-354 substituted “Secretary” for “Administrator” in subsec. (a)(1) and in two places in subsecs. (b)(1), (3), (c)(1), and (e).

1991—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 102-237 struck out “as defined in this chapter” after “in rural areas”.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 950aa of this title.

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TERMINATION OF CHAPTER

*For termination of chapter by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see note set out under section 950aaa of this title.*

**§ 950aaa. Purpose**

The purposes of this chapter are to provide incentives for local telephone exchange carriers, rural community facilities and rural residents to improve the quality of phone service, to provide access to advanced telecommunications services and computer networks, and to improve rural opportunities.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2331, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4017.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

*For termination of section by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see Termination of Chapter note set out below.*

TERMINATION OF CHAPTER

Pub. L. 102-551, § 1(b), Oct. 28, 1992, 106 Stat. 4100, provided that: “Notwithstanding any other provision of law, chapter 1 of subtitle D of title XXIII of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C. 950aaa et seq.), including the amendments made by this section [enacting section 950aaa-5 of this title and amending section 950aaa-4 of this title], shall be effective until September 30, 1997.”

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 950aaa-4 of this title.

**§ 950aaa-1. Goal**

It is a goal of the Federal Government to make affordable advanced telecommunications available to rural residents, including services such as reliable facsimile document and data transmission, multifrequency tone signaling services, 911 emergency service with automatic number identification, interactive audio and visual transmissions, voicemail services designed to record, store, and retrieve voice messages, and other advanced telecommunications services.

(Pub. L. 101-624, title XXIII, § 2332, Nov. 28, 1990, 104 Stat. 4017; Pub. L. 102-237, title VII, § 702(g), Dec. 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 1880.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

*For termination of section by section 1(b) of Pub. L. 102-551, see Termination of Chapter note set out under section 950aaa of this title.*

AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-237 substituted “Federal Government” for “Federal government”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1991 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 102-237 effective as if included in the provision of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-624, to which the amendment relates, see section 1101(b)(7) of Pub. L. 102-237, set out as a note under section 1421 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 950aaa-4 of this title.

**§ 950aaa-2. Definitions**

As used in this chapter:

**(1) Communication satellite ground station complex**

The term “communication satellite ground station complex” includes transmitters, receivers, and communications antennas at the Earth station site together with the interconnecting terrestrial transmission facilities (cables, line, or microwave facilities) and modulating and demodulating equipment necessary for processing traffic received from the terrestrial distribution system prior to transmission via satellite and the traffic received