METROPOLITAN EXTENSION TELECOMMUNICATIONS RIGHTS-OF-WAY OVERSIGHT ACT (EXCERPT) Act 48 of 2002

484.3110 Fee-sharing payments.

- Sec. 10. (1) Except as reduced by the amount provided for under subsection (2), the authority shall allocate the annual maintenance fees collected under this act to fund the fee-sharing mechanism under section 11.
- (2) To the extent that fees exceed \$30,000,000.00 in any year and are from fees for linear feet of rights-of-way in which telecommunication facilities are constructed by a provider after the effective date of this act, the authority shall allocate that amount to fund the fee-sharing mechanism under section 12.
- (3) To be eligible to receive fee-sharing payments under this act, a municipality shall comply with this act. For the purpose of the distribution under sections 11 and 12, a municipality is considered to be in compliance with this act unless the authority finds to the contrary in a proceeding against the municipality affording due process initiated by a provider, the commission, or the attorney general. If a municipality is found not to be in compliance, fee-sharing payments shall be held by the authority in escrow until the municipality returns to compliance. A municipality is not ineligible to receive fee-sharing payments for any matter found to be a good faith dispute or matters of first impression under this act or other applicable law.
- (4) The amount received under sections 11 and 12 shall be used by the municipality solely for rights-of-way related purposes. Rights-of-way purposes does not include constructing or utilizing telecommunication facilities to serve residential or commercial customers.
- (5) A municipality receiving funds under sections 11 and 12 with a population of less than 10,000 may file and a municipality receiving funds under sections 11 and 12 with a population of 10,000 or more shall file an annual report with the authority on the use and disposition of the funds. The authority shall prescribe the form of the report to be filed under this subsection, which report shall be in a simplified format.

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