



# Payment Process Webinar

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## Payment Process Learning Objectives

### Upon completion of this webinar, participants will:

- Understand the process by which reconfiguration payments will be made to licensees and vendors by Sprint Nextel (SN)
- Understand Transition Administrator's (TA) role in the payment process
- Understand the process for payment disputes (good cause notices)
- Know where to go for more information and guidance





## Topics and Agenda Items

- ✓ Payment Process Overview
- ✓ Payment Obligations – How do I get paid?
  - Vendor payments
  - License payments
- TA's Role in Payment Process
- "Good Cause" for non-payments
- Where to go for more information
- ✓ Questions and Answers


## Payment Process Agenda





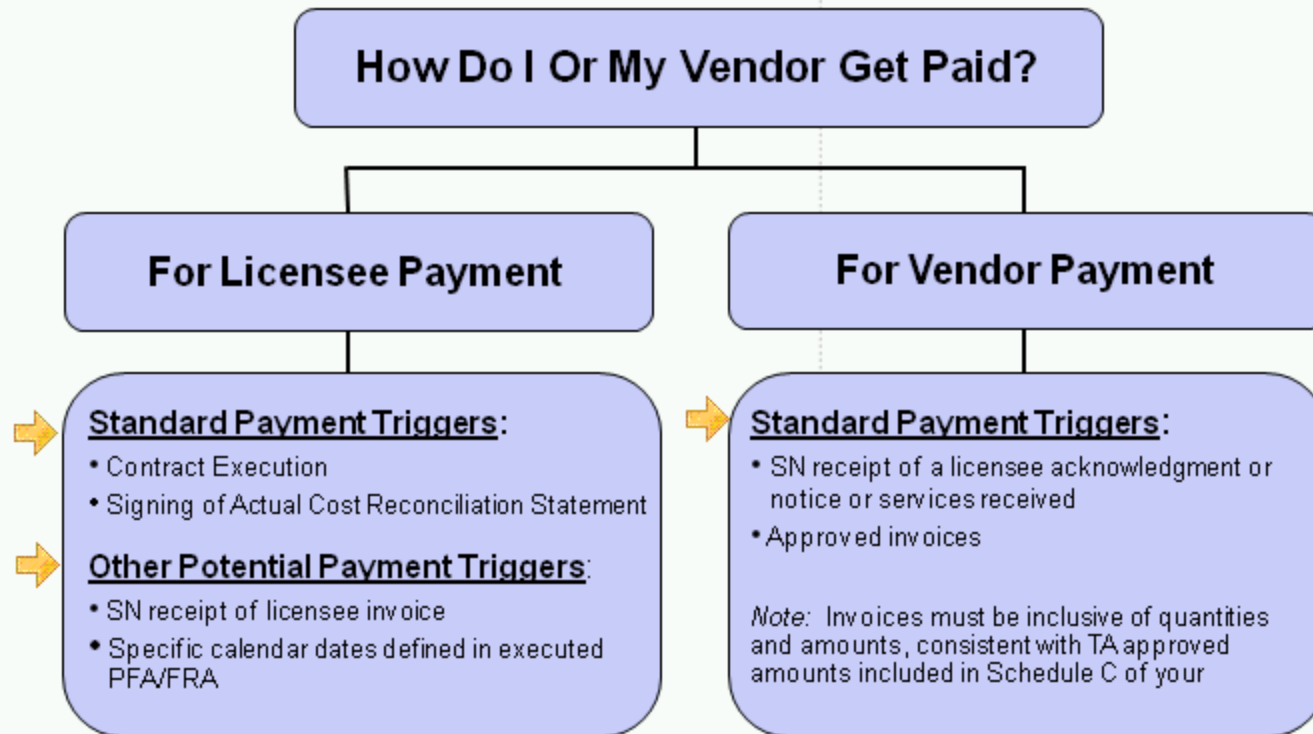
## Payment Process Overview

### Key Steps in the Payment Process:

<b>Finalizing &amp; Executing Reconfiguration Agreements</b>	 Licensees must enter into a Frequency Reconfiguration Agreement (FRA) or Planning Funding Agreement (PFA) with Sprint Nextel (which must be approved by the TA)
<b>Finalizing &amp; Executing Vendor Agreements</b>	The licensee will finalize and execute its agreements with its vendors, and those vendors may begin providing reconfiguration or planning services (TA and SN have no role in this process)
<b>Initiating Vendor Payments</b>	Depending upon the terms of each individual FRA and/or PFA, vendors will be paid either by the licensee (out of funds paid to the licensee by Sprint Nextel) OR directly by Sprint Nextel
<b>Initiating Licensee Payments</b>	Licensees will be paid directly by Sprint Nextel
<b>Monitoring of Vendor or Licensee Payments by the TA</b>	The TA will monitor the payment process to ensure that Sprint Nextel pays the licensee and its vendors according to the agreed payment terms in the TA-approved FRA or PFA

### Payment Process Overview

## Payment Process Payment Obligations





## Payment Process The TA's Role

### The TA's Role:

- The TA actively monitors the payment process to ensure that Sprint Nextel fulfills its payment obligations
- If Sprint Nextel fails to make a payment with **in 30 days** of the relevant Payment Obligation Date, the TA will contact Sprint Nextel to determine why payment was not made
- If Sprint Nextel fails to demonstrate "good cause" for non-payment within **40 days** of the Payment Obligation Date, the TA will initiate a draw on the Letters of Credit
- The TA will ensure that licensees and vendors refund the full amount of any erroneous payment made to them by Sprint Nextel
- The TA is committed to aggressively deterring potential fraud, waste, or abuse



## Payment Process “Good Cause” for non-payment

### What constitutes “good cause” for non-payment?

- The licensee or vendor fails to submit a valid invoice or proper documentation of work performed
- The licensee acknowledgment of receipt of goods/services or the achievement of a contractual milestone was not provided to Sprint Nextel
- The licensee or vendor fails to provide adequate payment instructions to Sprint Nextel
- The licensee or vendor performs work that is not covered in the agreed upon FRA/PFA
- The licensee fails to provide sufficient documentation for the equipment that is expected to be returned
- There is evidence of fraud, waste, abuse or another illegality





## Where To Go For More Information:

- TA Website:  
<http://800TA.org>
- TA Contact Center:  
1-888-800-8220 or [comments@800TA.org](mailto:comments@800TA.org)
- TA Reconfiguration Handbook:  
[http://800ta.org/content/PDF/reconfiguration\\_materials/handbook\\_v3.pdf](http://800ta.org/content/PDF/reconfiguration_materials/handbook_v3.pdf)

## Payment Process TA Resources





# Interactive Q&A

**TA Contact:**

Phone: 1-888-800-8220

Website: [www.800ta.org](http://www.800ta.org)

Email: [comments@800TA.org](mailto:comments@800TA.org)

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**FCC:**

Website: <http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/public-safety-spectrum/800-MHz/reconfiguration.html>