United States Marshals Service Bitcoin Auction
Participation Details

50,000 BTC (~JPY 1,400,000,000*) seized by the FBI will be auctioned off on March 5th, 2015.

* Converted as of February 25, 2015 9AM (JST) at bitFlyer's mid rate

[ Reference Article ]

[ Auction Details ]
bitFlyer will once again arrange a joint bid to participate in the USMS Auction on behalf of our clients. There will be a 2% commission charged to participants, paid in BTC.

[ Conditions of Participation ]
- A bitFlyer account at the Business Class level or above is required. Please note that bitFlyer will not be responsible in case account creation or account class updates do not meet the participation deadline.
- An external Bitcoin wallet is required in case the BTC amount in a successful bid exceeds the BTC holding limit applied to your bitFlyer account.

** Application conditions will be strictly applied. If one or more conditions are not satisfied, the application will be deemed invalid, and the joint purchasing expense will be refunded.

** bitFlyer will make a telephone call or send an email to all applicants for verification purposes. Please note that questions regarding verification results are not accepted.

[ Application Method ]
Send an email with the required information to the email address below:

info+usms-auction@bitflyer.jp

- Your Full Name
- bitFlyer Account Number (ex. BF10-1234-5678-90)
- Participation Amount
  * A minimum of JPY 1,000,000, up to JPY 100,000,000 per person, in JPY 1,000,000 unit.
  Only Japanese Yen is acceptable
  * Bank transfer fee is to be paid by participants.

[ Applicant Verification ]
bitFlyer will contact all applicants by telephone or email.

[ Deadlines ]

Application Deadline: 2PM on Wednesday, March 4th (JST)
Deadline for Funds Deposit: 2PM on Wednesday, March 4th (JST)

** Participation will be limited to those who have confirmed funds in bitFlyer.
must be received by this date in order for the application to be valid.

[ Target Bitcoin Series ]

Bitcoin in blocks of 2,000 BTC shall be formed for the Series A block (total 20,000 BTC).

[ Bidding Price ]

Bidding for 2,000 BTC will be performed with the bidding price calculated as follows. Note that unlike the previous auction, only one bidding price shall be used.

Bidding Price = (Total amount of bitFlyer customers’ participation + bitFlyer’s participation amount – Bank Fees) / FX rate

* In the case of a large number of participants, bitFlyer will determine the bidding price up to approximately a 15% discount from market price (as of March 5th at Yahoo!).
* FX rate will be the actual exchange rate which is applied when bitFlyer performs the conversion of Japanese Yen to US dollars.

[ Bank Account for Joint Auction Funds Transfer ]

Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation
Tokyo Daiichi Branch (Branch code: 931)
Savings Account Number 2900001

[ Commission ]

In the case the bid is successful, 2% of the total proceeds (in BTC) will be charged as commission to bitFlyer. Any Bitcoin not used for the purchase will be refunded. Bank fees to process refunds will be paid by bitFlyer.

i.e. If the number of Bitcoin won by a successful bid is 1,000 BTC, 980 BTC will be sent to your registered external wallet, after deducting the commission.

[ Important Notes ]

** Auction results will be reported to all participants by email.

** In case the bid is successful, the Bitcoin will be distributed proportionally by participation amount.

** In case the bid is not successful, purchasing expenses will be fully refunded to applicants.

** There is a potential risk that bitFlyer will be unable to participate in the auction due to delays related to internal bitFlyer processes, government decisions, or other reasons. bitFlyer does not hold any responsibility for failing to participate in the auction.
** In the case that there is no participation by the deadline, bitFlyer shall be able to participate in the auction at any price.

** Bank fees to process refunds will be paid by bitFlyer.

[ USMS Website Official Auction Detail ]
http://www.usmarshals.gov/assets/2015/dpr-february-auction/

[Reference]
Please find below materials from the bitFlyer USMS Bitcoin Auction coordination in June, 2014.

https://bitflyer.blob.core.windows.net/pub/fbiauction.pdf

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