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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU GRANTS CONSENT FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF CELLULAR AND MICROWAVE LICENSES FROM METACOMM CELLULAR, L.L.C. TO WWC HOLDING CO., INC.

Pursuant to sections 4(i) and 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, <a href="refptr://102bf60/47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i)">refptr://102bf60/47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i)</a>, <a href="refptr://102bf60/47 C.F.R. § 0.331">refptr://102bf60/47 C.F.R. § 0.331</a>, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("Bureau") approves the applications requesting Commission consent to transfer control of cellular and microwave licenses currently controlled by MetaComm Cellular, L.L.C. to WWC Holdings Co., Inc. No comments or petitions to deny were received in response to the public notice announcing that the applications had been accepted for filing. See WTB Rpt. No. 380, rel. Nov. 24, 1999.

Pursuant to section 1.925(a) of the Commission's rules, refptr://102b0c0/47 C.F.R. § 1.925(a), the Bureau also grants the parties' request for a waiver of section 22.943(b) of the Commission's rules, refptr://102b540/47 C.F.R. § 22.943(b), with respect to MetaComm's unserved area licenses for Montana RSA No. 8 and Wyoming RSA No. 1. refptr://10282e0/Section 22.943(b) of the Commission's rules provides that the Commission will not accept transfer of control or assignment applications involving cellular unserved area licenses until the system has provided service to subscribers for at least one year. The Bureau finds that these unserved area licenses, which have been in operation for less than one year, are integrally related to the cellular system that MetaComm has operated for almost ten years, and that there was no evidence of speculative intent on the part of MetaComm in acquiring the licenses. Therefore, grant of a waiver in this situation will serve the public interest.

Pursuant to section 1.103 of the Commission's rules, refptr://1029470/47 C.F.R. § 1.103, the consent granted herein is effective upon release of this Public Notice. Pursuant to sections 1.106(f) and 1.115(a) of the Commission's rules, refptr://10293c0/47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106(f), refptr://1029ce0/1.115(a), petitions for reconsideration and applications for review may be filed within thirty days of the release of this public notice.

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