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NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FROM STREAMLINED TREATMENT

WC Docket No. 04-421

The application listed in this notice has been removed from streamlined treatment pursuant to the Commission's streamlined procedures for domestic section 214 transfer of control applications.¹ Section 63.03(c)(5) of the Commission's rules provides that at any time after an application is filed, the Commission, acting through the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, may notify an applicant that its application is being removed from streamlined processing, where the Commission "determines that the application requires further analysis to determine whether a proposed transfer of control would serve the public interest."²

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for Transfer of Control of Infonet Broadband Services Corporation and Infonet Telecommunications Corporation to BT Group plc, WC Docket No. 04-421, DA 04-3791 (rel. Nov. 30, 2004)

On November 30, 2004, the Commission released a public notice accepting for streamlined processing a domestic section 214 application involving the transfer of control of Infonet Telecommunications Corporation ("ITC") from Infonet Services Corp. ("Infonet") to BT Group plc ("BT Group") (collectively, the "Applicants").³ On December 14, 2004, the Applicants, along with the United States Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") and on behalf of the United States Department of Homeland Security ("DHS") (collectively, the "Agencies"), filed with the Commission a joint petition to

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03; *Implementation of Further Streamlining Measures for Domestic Section 214 Authorizations*, 17 FCC Rcd 5517 (2002) (*Streamlining Order*).

² See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(c)(1)(v).

³ *Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for Transfer of Control of Infonet Broadband Services Corporation and Infonet Telecommunications Corporation to BT Group plc*, WC 04-421, Public Notice, DA 04-3791 (rel. Nov. 30, 2004).

defer grant of this application while the Agencies and Applicants address potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues.⁴

This application is being removed from streamlined review in response to the joint request filed by the Agencies and the Applicants. Final action on these applications should be expected once the Commission has received notification from the Agencies and Applicants that the evaluation has been completed, but in no event later than 180 days from public notice that the applications were accepted for filing.⁵ The Agencies and Applicants indicate that they expect such notification to occur within the next few weeks.⁶

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⁴ See Application Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934 and Section 63.04 of the Commission's Rules for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Infonet Telecommunications Corp. to BT Group, plc, WC Docket No. 04-421, Joint Petition to Defer (filed Dec. 14, 2004) (Joint Petition to Defer).

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(c)(2).

⁶ Joint Petition to Defer at 2.