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NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FROM STREAMLINED TREATMENT

WC Docket No. 05-250

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)(v) 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 Gridley Telephone Company, Gridley Communications, Inc., and Gridley Enterprises, Inc., to Mail Holdings, Inc., WC Docket No. 05-250

On September 1, 2005, the Commission released a public notice accepting for streamlined processing a domestic section 214 application involving Mail Holdings, Inc. ("Holdings"), along with Gridley Telephone Company ("GTC"), Gridley Communications, Inc. ("GCI"), and Gridley Enterprises, Inc. ("GEI"; together with GTC and GCI, "Gridley") (Holdings and Gridley are the "Applicants"). Specifically, the Applicants request approval to transfer control of Gridley to Holdings.³ On September 15, 2005, the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), with the concurrence of the Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI") (collectively, the "Executive Branch Agencies") filed with the Commission a letter requesting that the Commission defer grant of this application

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03; *Implementation of Further Streamlining Measures for Domestic Section 214 Authorizations*, 17 FCC Red 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 Gridley Telephone Company, Gridley Communications, Inc., and Gridley Enterprises, Inc., to Mail Holdings, Inc.*, WC Docket No. 05-250, Public Notice, DA 05-2399 (rel. Sept. 1, 2005).

while the Executive Branch Agencies address potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues.⁴

This application is being removed from streamlined review in response to the request filed by the Executive Branch Agencies. Final action on this application should be expected once the Commission has received notification from the Executive Branch Agencies that the evaluation has been completed, but not later than 180 days from public notice that the application was accepted for filing.⁵

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⁴ See Letter from Tina W. Gabrielli, Director of Intelligence Coordination and Special Infrastructure Protections Programs, Office of Infrastructure Protection, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, to Marlene H. Dortch, FCC, WC Docket No. 05-250 & IB File No. ITC-T/C-20050805-00319 (Sept. 15, 2005).

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(c)(2).