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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF COMTEL TELCOM ASSETS LP AND COMTEL VIRGINIA LLC

STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 07-104

Comments Due: May 31, 2007
Reply Comments Due: June 7, 2007

On May 11, 2007, Comtel Telcom Assets LP (“Comtel”) and Comtel Virginia LLC (“Comtel-VA”) (together, “Applicants”), filed the following application pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission’s rules¹ requesting approval to transfer control of Comtel and Comtel-VA. Comtel is a Texas limited partnership that provides interstate and intrastate long distance service throughout the United States.² Comtel-VA, a Virginia limited liability corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Comtel, is authorized to provide local exchange and exchange access services in Virginia. Applicants request consent to transfer control of Comtel from Mr. Jeff Larson, a U.S. citizen and the ultimate manager of Comtel, to Stuart Porter, a U.S. citizen and current interest holder in Comtel. Applicants assert that the proposed transaction is entitled to presumptive streamlined treatment under section 63.03(b)(2)(i) of the Commission’s rules and that a grant of the application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.³

Domestic 214 Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of Comtel Telcom Assets LP and Comtel Virginia LLC, WC Docket No. 07-104 (filed May. 11, 2007).

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03; *see* 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants are also filing an application for the transfer of control associated with authorization for international services. Any action on this domestic 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications. Applicants filed a supplement to their domestic 214 application on May 16, 2007.

² Comtel is authorized provide local exchange and exchange access services in every state except Alaska, Hawaii, and Virginia.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The transfer of control identified herein has been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing as a streamlined application. The Commission reserves the right to return any transfer of control application if, upon further examination, it is determined to be defective and not in conformance with the Commission's rules and policies. Pursuant to section 63.03(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03(a), interested parties may file comments **on or before May 31, 2007** and reply comments **on or before June 7, 2007**. Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, Applicants are permitted to transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice.⁴ Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies. *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- **Electronic Filers:** Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/> or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments.
- **For ECFS filers,** if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in response.
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The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington D.C. 20554.

⁴ Such authorization is conditioned upon receipt of any other necessary approvals from the Commission in connection with the proposed transaction.

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- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Federal Communications Commission's Web Site: <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- People with Disabilities: Contact the FCC to request reasonable accommodations (accessible format documents, sign language interpreters, CART, etc.) by e-mail: FCC504@fcc.gov or phone: 202-418-0530 or TTY: 202-418-0432.

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- 2) Tracey Wilson-Parker, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A103, Washington, D.C. 20554; email: Tracey.Wilson-Parker@fcc.gov;
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- 4) Susan O'Connell, Policy Division, International Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 7-B544, Washington, D.C. 20554; email: susan.o'connell@fcc.gov; and
- 5) Jim Bird, Office of General Counsel, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 8-C824, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: jim.bird@fcc.gov.

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