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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN ASSETS OF SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS, L.P. BY AMERICAN WARRIORS NETWORKS, LLC

STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 08-31

Comments Due: April 10, 2008

Reply Comments Due: April 17, 2008

Pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, Sprint Communications, L.P. (Sprint), and American Warriors Networks, LLC (AWN, collectively "Joint Applicants"), request consent to transfer control of Sprint's UNE-P-based local service residential and business customers to AWN. Sprint, a Delaware limited partnership, is the long distance and competitive local exchange carrier affiliate of Sprint Nextel Corporation (Sprint Nextel). Sprint provides intrastate interexchange and interstate interexchange telecommunications services and is authorized to provide competitive local exchange services in all states with the exception of Alaska and Maine. Sprint is a wholly owned subsidiary of Sprint Nextel. Sprint Nextel, a Kansas Corporation, is a holding company organized for the purpose of engaging in telecommunications and related businesses through its subsidiaries and is publicly traded. No person or corporate entity holds more than a 10 percent share of Sprint Nextel.

AWN, a Delaware limited liability company, is authorized to provide competitive local exchange, intrastate interexchange services in Colorado, but has not yet commenced commercial service. AWN is wholly owned by Strategic Broadband Partners, LLC (SBP), a Delaware limited liability company. SBP is owned by the following Florida corporations: MisSuzy Corp. (MisSuzy) (81%); and TVE Corp. (TVE) (13.5%). MisSuzy is wholly owned by Randall M. and Suzanne Spillers, both U.S. citizens. TVE Corp is wholly owned by Timothy and Vicki Evard, both U.S. citizens.

Sprint and AWN have entered into an agreement whereby AWN will acquire Sprint's local service residential customers being served under an existing contract between Sprint and Army Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES). The customers being transferred are all located on military installations, and therefore can only receive local service from an exclusive vendor under contract to AAFES. 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.²

¹ 47 C.F.R § 63.03; see 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants filed an amendment to their application on March 26, 2008.

² 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Acquisition of Certain Assets of Sprint Communications, L.P. by American Warriors Networks, LLC, WC Docket No. 08-31 (filed Mar. 4, 2008).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Wireline Competition Bureau finds, upon initial review, that the transfer of control identified herein is 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 C.F.R. § 63.03(a), interested parties may file comments **on or before April 10, 2008,** and reply comments **on or before April 17, 2008.** Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, the Applicants may transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice.³ Comments must be filed electronically using (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(a) ("All comments on streamlined applications shall be filed electronically"); *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS, <u>http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/</u>, 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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³ Such authorization is conditioned upon receipt of any other necessary approvals from the Commission in connection with the proposed transaction.

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