



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## **INTERNATIONAL AUTHORIZATIONS GRANTED**

### **Section 214 Applications (47 C.F.R. § 63.18); Section 310(b)(4) Requests**

The following applications have been granted pursuant to the Commission's streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12, other provisions of the Commission's rules, or procedures set forth in an earlier public notice listing applications accepted for filing.

Unless otherwise noted, these grants authorize the applicants (1) to become a facilities-based international common carrier subject to 47 C.F.R. § 63.22; and/or (2) to become a resale-based international common carrier subject to 47 C.F.R. § 63.23; or (3) to exceed the 25 percent foreign ownership benchmark applicable to common carrier radio licensees under 47 U.S.C. § 310(b)(4).

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE SERVES AS EACH NEWLY AUTHORIZED CARRIER'S SECTION 214 CERTIFICATE. It contains general and specific conditions, which are set forth below. Newly authorized carriers should carefully review the terms and conditions of their authorizations. Failure to comply with general or specific conditions of an authorization, or with other relevant Commission rules and policies, could result in fines and forfeitures.

Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules in regard to the grant of any of these applications may be filed within thirty days of this public notice (see Section 1.4(b)(2)).

An updated version of Sections 63.09–.25 of the rules, and other related sections, is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html>.

For additional information, please contact the FCC Reference and Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270.

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**ISP-PDR-20080212-00003**

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Cellco Partnership

Petition for Declaratory Ruling

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 03/25/2008

Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Verizon Wireless or "Petitioner") requests that the Commission extend Verizon Wireless's current authority, under Section 310(b)(4) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), to hold interests in common carrier radio licenses to encompass the licenses that are proposed to be assigned to Vista (Mirror 1) PCS License Holding, L.L.C. (Mirror 1 Sub), and to encompass Mirror 1 Sub, which, upon consummation of the proposed transaction, will be owned 100 percent by Verizon Wireless. Verizon Wireless filed its petition for declaratory ruling in connection with an application for assignment of six broadband Personal Communications Service (PCS) licenses from Vista License Holdings, L.L.C. (Vista) to Mirror 1 Sub. See File No. 0003286009.

Verizon Wireless is a general partnership that is ultimately owned by Verizon Communications, Inc. (Verizon) and Vodafone Group Plc (Vodafone). Verizon, a Delaware corporation, owns indirectly 55% of the partnership interests and Vodafone owns indirectly 45% of the partnership interests through numerous named subsidiaries, which are organized under the laws of Luxembourg and the United Kingdom, both of which are World Trade Organization Member countries, or the United States. Vodafone is a widely-held, publicly traded company organized under the laws of the United Kingdom.

The International Bureau has previously granted a declaratory ruling approving up to 65.1% indirect foreign ownership of Verizon Wireless by Vodafone. See Vodafone AirTouch Plc and Bell Atlantic Corporation for Consent to Transfer Control or Assignment of Licenses and Authorizations, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 15 FCC Rcd 16507 (WTB/Int'l Bur. 2000). Petitioner represents that no changes have occurred in its foreign ownership since that authorization was granted. Thus, according to Petitioner, the proposed transaction raises no new foreign ownership issues, and the Commission can and should extend the previous Section 310(b)(4) ruling to the subject PCS licenses and to Mirror 1 Sub.

Pursuant to the rules and policies established in the Foreign Participation Order, 12 FCC Rcd 23891 (1997), Order on Reconsideration, 15 FCC Rcd 18158 (2000), we find that the public interest would be served by granting the Petitioner's request, and we therefore extend the existing foreign ownership ruling for Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless to cover the subject PCS licenses and Mirror 1 Sub. This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

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**ITC-214-20050826-00351**

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Stratos Holdings, Inc.

International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** INMARSAT and Mobile Satellite Service

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 04/01/2008

Application for authority to operate as a facilities-based and resale common carrier provider of mobile satellite services via all Inmarsat I-4 satellites.

Grant of the application is conditioned upon Applicant's compliance with the commitments and undertakings set forth in the August 7, 2001 Agreement between Stratos and the U.S. Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (August 7 2001 Agreement), and Amendment No. 1 to the August 7 2001 Agreement. The August 7 2001 Agreement and Amendment No. 1 are publicly available at 22 FCC Rcd 21380.

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**ITC-214-20071227-00532**

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Virtual American Companies LLC

International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Facilities-Based Service, Global or Limited Global Resale Service

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 03/28/2008

Application for authority to provide facilities-based service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's rules, and also to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1), (2).

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**ITC-214-20080213-00055**

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LatinTel, Inc.

International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 03/28/2008

Application for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2).

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**ITC-214-20080307-00140**

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Yukon-Waltz Communications, Inc.

International Telecommunications Certificate

**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 03/28/2008

Application for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2).

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**ITC-ASG-20080320-00151**      E      HOOD CANAL TELEPHONE CO., INC.  
Assignment  
Grant of Authority      Date of Action:      04/02/2008

**Current Licensee:**      HOOD CANAL COMMUNICATIONS LONG DISTANCE, INC.

**FROM:** Hood Canal Communications Long Distance, Inc.

**TO:**      HOOD CANAL TELEPHONE CO., INC.

Notification filed March 20, 2008 of the pro forma assignment of international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20000317-00151, held by Hood Canal Communications Long Distance, Inc. (HCLD), to Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc. (HCTC), effective February 14, 2008. Pursuant to an internal merger of affiliates, HCLD merged with and into HCTC, with HCTC emerging as the surviving entity from the transaction and HCLD ceasing to exist. HCLD was, and HCTC continues to be, direct, wholly-owned subsidiaries of R.J.B. Telecommunications Corp, which is 93% owned by Richard F. Buechel.

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**ITC-ASG-20080321-00152**      E      TCG New Jersey, Inc.  
Assignment  
Grant of Authority      Date of Action:      04/02/2008

**Current Licensee:**      TCG Delaware Valley, Inc.

**FROM:** TCG Delaware Valley, Inc.

**TO:**      TCG New Jersey, Inc.

Notification filed March 21, 2008, of the pro forma assignment of international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-19890926-00004 (Old File No. ITC-90-003), held by TCG Delaware Valley, Inc. (TCGDE) to TCG New Jersey, Inc. (TCGNJ), effective February 29, 2008. Pursuant to a corporate reorganization TCGDE merged with and into TCGNJ. TCGDE was, and TCGNJ continues to be, wholly-owned, indirect subsidiaries of AT&T Inc.

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**ITC-ASG-20080331-00162**      E      Sacramento Valley Limited Partnership  
Assignment  
Grant of Authority      Date of Action:      04/02/2008

**Current Licensee:**      Cal-One Cellular L.P.

**FROM:** Cal-One Cellular LP

**TO:**      Sacramento Valley Limited Partnership

Notification filed March 31, 2008, of the pro forma assignment of international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20010507-00290, held by Cal-One Cellular, L.P. (Cal-One) to Sacramento Valley Limited Partnership (Sacramento Valley), effective December 31, 2007. Pursuant to an internal reorganization, Cal-One was dissolved into, and its wireless facilities and licenses assigned to, Sacramento Valley. Cal-One was, and Sacramento Valley continues to be, ultimately owned and controlled by Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Celco).

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**ITC-T/C-20071113-00464**      E      WorldPoint Communications  
Transfer of Control  
Grant of Authority      Date of Action:      04/01/2008

**Current Licensee:**      WorldPoint Communications

**FROM:** XOL Holdings Company S.A.L.

**TO:**      Mada Communications Company K.S.C.C.

Application for consent to transfer control of international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20010717-00392, held by WorldPoint Communications (WorldPoint), from XOL Holdings Company S.A.L. (XOL Holdings), a Lebanese corporation, to Mada Communications Company K.S.C.C. (Mada), a Kuwait corporation. Pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding, dated November 6, 2007, Mada will acquire all of the outstanding shares of XOL Holdings in consideration for shares of Mada. WorldPoint will then become an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Mada.

Upon consummation, the following entity and individual will hold 10 percent or greater ownership interests in Mada: Joseph Nasrallah, a Lebanese citizen (16.7% equity and voting interests), and Zain f/k/a Mobile Telecommunications Company, a Kuwait based mobile operation (14.9% equity and voting interests). No other individual or entity will hold a 10 percent or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interest in WorldPoint. This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

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**ITC-T/C-20080331-00163**      E

Symphony Telecommunications, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action:    04/02/2008

**Current Licensee:**      Symphony Telecommunications, LLC

**FROM:** Symphony Telecommunications, LLC

**TO:**      Symphony Holdings, Inc.

Notification filed March 31, 2008 of the pro forma transfer of control of international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20041201-00472, held by Symphony Telecommunications, LLC (Telecom) to Symphony Holdings, Inc. (SHI), effective March 9, 2006. Trevor Dearman and Torge Dennen are the sole members and shareholders of both Telecom and SHI.

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**Dismissal**

**ITC-ASG-20080215-00060**

bComm, Inc.

On March 19, 2008, Applicant withdrew its application.

**ITC-ASG-20080215-00083**

bComm, Inc.

On March 19, 2008, Applicant withdrew its application.

## CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS

(1) These authorizations are subject to the Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations, which identifies restrictions on providing service to particular countries or using particular facilities. The most recent Exclusion List is attached to this Public Notice. The list applies to all U.S. international carriers, including those that have previously received global or limited global Section 214 authority, whether by Public Notice or specific written order. Carriers are advised that the attached Exclusion List is subject to amendment at any time pursuant to the procedures set forth in Streamlining the International Section 214 Authorization Process and Tariff Requirements, IB Docket No. 95-118, 11 FCC Rcd 12884 (1996), para. 18. A copy of the current Exclusion List will be maintained in the FCC Reference and Information Center and will be available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html#exclusionlist>. It also will be attached to each Public Notice that grants international Section 214 authority.

(2) The export of telecommunications services and related payments to countries that are subject to economic sanctions may be restricted. For information concerning current restrictions, call the Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, (202) 622-2520.

(3) Carriers shall comply with the requirements of Section 63.11 of the Commission's rules, which requires notification by, and in certain circumstances prior notification by, U.S. carriers acquiring an affiliation with foreign carriers. A carrier that acquires an affiliation with a foreign carrier will be subject to possible reclassification as a dominant carrier on an affiliated route pursuant to the provisions of Section 63.10 of the rules.

(4) Carriers shall comply with the Commission's International Settlements Policy and associated filing requirements contained in Sections 43.51, 64.1001 and 64.1002 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 43.51, 64.1001, 64.1002. The Commission modified these requirements most recently in International Settlements Policy Reform: International Settlement Rates, First Report and Order, FCC 04-53, 19 FCC Rcd 5709 (2004). In addition, any carrier interconnecting private lines to the U.S. public switched network at its switch, including any switch in which the carrier obtains capacity either through lease or otherwise, shall file annually with the Chief, International Bureau, a certified statement containing, on a country-specific basis, the number and type (e.g., 64 kbps circuits) of private lines interconnected in such manner. The Commission will treat the country of origin information as confidential. Carriers need not file their contracts for interconnection unless the Commission specifically requests. Carriers shall file their annual report on February 1 (covering international private lines interconnected during the preceding January 1 to December 31 period) of each year. International private lines to countries which the Commission has exempted from the International Settlements Policy at any time during a particular reporting period are exempt from this requirement. See 47 C.F.R. § 43.51(d). The Commission's list of U.S. international routes that are exempt from the International Settlements Policy may be viewed at [http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/isp\\_exempt.html](http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/isp_exempt.html).

(5) Carriers authorized to provide private line service either on a facilities or resale basis are limited to the provision of such private line service only between the United States and those foreign points covered by their referenced applications for Section 214 authority. A carrier may provide switched services over its authorized resold private lines in the circumstances specified in Section 63.23(d) of the rules, 47 C.F. R. § 63.23(d).

(6) A carrier may engage in "switched hubbing" to countries that do not appear on the Commission's list of U.S. international routes that are exempt from the International Settlements Policy, set forth in Section 64.1002, 47 C.F.R. § 64.1002, provided the carrier complies with the requirements of Section 63.17(b) of the rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.17(b). The Commission's list of U.S. international routes that are exempt from the International Settlements Policy may be viewed at [http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/isp\\_exempt.html](http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/isp_exempt.html).

(7) Carriers shall comply with the "No Special Concessions" rule, Section 63.14, 47 C.F.R. § 63.14.

(8) Carriers regulated as dominant for the provision of a particular communications service on a particular route for any reason other than a foreign carrier affiliation under Section 63.10 of the rules shall file tariffs pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 203, and Part 61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 61. Carriers shall not otherwise file tariffs except as permitted by Section 61.19 of the rules, 47 C.F.R. § 61.19. Except as specified in Section 20.15 with respect to commercial mobile radio service providers, carriers regulated as non-dominant, as defined in Section 61.3, and providing detariffed international services pursuant to Section 61.19, must comply with all applicable public disclosure and maintenance of information requirements in Sections 42.10 and 42.11.

(9) Carriers shall file the annual reports of overseas telecommunications traffic required by Section 43.61(a). Carriers shall also file the quarterly reports required by Section 43.61 in the circumstances specified in paragraphs (b) and (c) of

that Section.

(10) Carriers shall file annual reports of circuit status and/or circuit additions in accordance with the requirements set forth in Rules for Filing of International Circuit Status Reports, CC Docket No. 93-157, Report and Order, 10 FCC Rcd 8605 (1995). See 47 C.F.R. § 43.82. See also §§ 63.22(e), 63.23(e). These requirements apply to facilities-based carriers and private line resellers, respectively. See also <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/csmanual.html>.

(11) Carriers should consult Section 63.19 of the rules when contemplating a discontinuance, reduction or impairment of service. Further, the grant of these applications shall not be construed to include authorization for the transmission of money in connection with the services the applicants have been given authority to provide. The transmission of money is not considered to be a common carrier service.

(12) If any carrier is reselling service obtained pursuant to a contract with another carrier, the services obtained by contract shall be made generally available by the underlying carrier to similarly situated customers at the same terms, conditions and rates. 47 U.S.C. § 203.

(13) To the extent the applicant is, or is affiliated with, an incumbent independent local exchange carrier, as those terms are defined in Section 64.1902 of the rules, it shall provide the authorized services in compliance with the requirements of Section 64.1903.

(14) Except as otherwise ordered by the Commission, a carrier authorized here to provide facilities-based service that (i) is classified as dominant under Section 63.10 of the rules for the provision of such service on a particular route and (ii) is affiliated with a carrier that collects settlement payments for terminating U.S. international switched traffic at the foreign end of that route may not provide facilities-based switched service on that route unless the current rates the affiliate charges U.S. international carriers to terminate traffic are at or below the Commission's relevant benchmark adopted in International Settlement Rates, IB Docket No. 96-261, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 19806 (1997). See also Report and Order on Reconsideration and Order Lifting Stay in IB Docket No. 96-261, FCC 99-124 (rel. June 11, 1999). For the purposes of this rule, "affiliated" and "foreign carrier" are defined in Section 63.09.

#### Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations

-- Last Modified December 22, 1999 --

The following is a list of countries and facilities not covered by grant of global Section 214 authority under Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1). In addition, the facilities listed shall not be used by U.S. carriers authorized under Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules unless the carrier's Section 214 authorization specifically lists the facility. Carriers desiring to serve countries or use facilities listed as excluded hereon shall file a separate Section 214 application pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(3) of the Commission's Rules. See generally 47 C.F.R. § 63.22.

#### Countries:

Cuba (Applications for service to Cuba shall comply with the separate filing requirements of the Commission's Public Notice Report No. I-6831, dated July 27, 1993, "FCC to Accept Applications for Service to Cuba.")

#### Facilities:

All non-U.S.-licensed satellite systems that are not on the Permitted Space Station List, maintained at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/sd/se/permitted.html>. See International Bureau Public Notice, DA 99-2844 (rel. Dec. 17, 1999).

This list is subject to change by the Commission when the public interest requires. Before amending the list, the Commission will first issue a public notice giving affected parties the opportunity for comment and hearing on the proposed changes. The Commission may then release an order amending the exclusion list. This list also is subject to change upon issuance of an Executive Order. See Streamlining the Section 214 Authorization Process and Tariff Requirements, IB Docket No. 95-118, FCC 96-79, 11 FCC Rcd 12,884, released March 13, 1996 (61 Fed. Reg. 15,724, April 9, 1996). A current version of this list is maintained at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html#exclusionlist>.

For additional information, contact the International Bureau's Policy Division, (202) 418-1460.