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## DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN ASSETS OF TRANS NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS INTERNATIONAL, INC. (DEBTOR-IN-POSSESSION) BY TNCI OPERATING COMPANY LLC

### STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 13-78

### Comments Due: April 23, 2013 Reply Comments Due: April 30, 2013

On March 18, 2013, TNCI Operating Company LLC (TNCI-OpCo) and Trans National Communications International, Inc. (Debtor-In-Possession) (TNCI-DIP), (collectively the Applicants) filed an application pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules<sup>1</sup> to transfer certain assets of TNCI-DIP to TNCI-OpCo.

TNCI-DIP is a corporation that offers an array of communications services including local and long distance services, audio/web conferencing, dedicated Internet Protocol (IP)-enabled, integrated voice and data services, private line, frame relay, and enhanced network solutions. TNCI-DIP provides services to enterprise customers in all of the contiguous United States, Hawaii, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico.

TNCI-OpCo, a Delaware limited liability corporation, does not currently provide telecommunications services or hold any authorizations in any state but, expects to hold the same or, more expansive, state and federal authorizations and provide the same services as currently held and provided by TNCI-DIP. TNCI-OpCo is wholly owned by TNCI Holding LLC, which is indirectly held by Garrison Opportunity Fund II A Holdings MM LLC (GOF-III-A-Holdings) (64.25%) and Garrison Opportunity Fund III A Holdings MM LLC (GOF-III-A-Holdings) (35.75%) (all U.S. entities). Joseph Tansey and Steven Stuart, both U.S. citizens, each hold 25 percent of the equity and 50 percent of the voting rights in GOF-III-A-Holdings and GOF-III-A-Holdings.

Pursuant to the Asset Purchase Agreement (Agreement), TNCI-OpCo will acquire certain assets of TNCI-DIP, including TNCI-DIP's customer accounts and contracts, telecommunications equipment, and, to the extent permitted under applicable law and regulations, authorizations to provide intrastate and interstate telecommunications services. Applicants state that all of the affected customers will continue to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R § 63.03; *see* 47 U.S.C. § 214. Applicants also filed an application for transfer of control associated with authorization for international services. Any action on this domestic section 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications.

receive service from TNCI-OpCo under the same rates, terms and conditions of services as were previously provided by TNCI-DIP and the transfer of TNCI-DIP's assets to TNCI-OpCo will be seamless to customers. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Massachusetts approved the Agreement and the proposed transaction on March 13, 2013. 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.<sup>2</sup>

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Acquisition of Certain Assets of Trans National Communications International, Inc. (Debtor-In-Possession) by TNCI Operating Company LLC, WC Docket No. 13-78 (filed March. 18, 2013).

# **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 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 April 23, 2013**, and reply comments **on or before April 30, 2013**. Pursuant to section 63.52 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.52, commenters must serve a copy of comments on the Applicants no later than the above comment filing date. Unless otherwise notified by the Commission, the Applicants may transfer control on the 31st day after the date of this notice.

Pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.03, parties to this proceeding should file any documents in this proceeding using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/.

### In addition, e-mail one copy of each pleading to each of the following:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

consisted in whole or in part of the presentation of data or arguments already reflected in the presenter's written comments, memoranda or other filings in the proceeding, the presenter may provide citations to such data or arguments in his or her prior comments, memoranda, or other filings (specifying the relevant page and/or paragraph numbers where such data or arguments can be found) in lieu of summarizing them in the memorandum. Documents shown or given to Commission staff during ex parte meetings are deemed to be written ex parte presentations and must be filed consistent with rule 1.1206(b), 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission's ex parte rules.

For further information, please contact Myrva Charles at (202) 418-1506 or Dennis Johnson at (202) 418-0809.

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