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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF ASSETS OF G4 COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION AND G4 TELECOM NH, INC. BY SEGTEL, INC.

STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 14-132

Comments Due: September 11, 2014 Reply Comments Due: September 18, 2014

On August 20, 2014, G4 Communications Corporation (G4 Communications), G4 Telecom NH, Inc. (G4 Telecom, formerly known as Otel Telekom, Inc.), and segTEL, Inc. (segTEL) (together, Applicants) filed an application pursuant to section 63.03 of the Commission's rules to transfer assets of G4 Communications and G4 Telecom to segTEL.¹

G4 Telecom, a New Hampshire corporation, is a wholly owned subsidiary of G4 Communications, also a New Hampshire corporation. Both carriers provide competitive telecommunications services in New Hampshire. Applicants state that the following persons own 10 percent or more of the stock of G4 Communications: Cent Cav (Turkish citizenship, 76 percent) and Alihan Ciftcioglu (U.S. and Turkish citizenship, 19 percent).

segTEL is a New Hampshire corporation and subsidiary of Tech Valley Holdings, LLC (Holdings, and collectively, with its subsidiaries, FirstLight), a Delaware limited liability company. Holdings operates through its subsidiaries, segTEL and TVC Albany, Inc. (TVC), under the name "FirstLight Fiber." Applicants state that FirstLight provides competitive telecommunications services in Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, and Vermont, including to wireless carriers, competitive local exchange carriers, enterprise, and government customers. Applicants state that the following entities hold a 10 percent or greater attributable indirect ownership interest in segTEL through Holdings: Riverside Fund IV, L.P. (62.2 percent) and Riverside Fund IV Offshore, L.P. (20.9 percent). The following entities hold a 10 percent or greater attributable indirect ownership interest through Riverside Fund IV, L.P.: Riverside Partners IV, L.P. (general partner), Yale University (14.81 percent limited partner), Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (13.16 percent limited partner), and West Virginia Investment Management Board (13.16 percent limited partner). Applicants state that no entity owns a 10 percent or greater interest in segTEL through Yale University, Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, or the West Virginia Investment Management Board. Applicants further state that the following U.S. citizens and entity hold a 10 percent or greater interest in Riverside Partners IV, L.P: David Belluck,

¹ 47 C.F.R § 63.03; see 47 U.S.C. § 214.

Brian Guthrie, Steven F. Kaplan, and Riverside Partners IV, LLC.² The sole members of Riverside Partners IV, LLC are David Belluck and Brian Guthrie. All entities are U.S.-based.

Pursuant to the terms of the proposed transaction, segTEL will acquire substantially all of the assets of G4 Communications and G4 Telecom, including their customer base and other assets associated with their telecommunications services operations. 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 Section 214 Application Filed for the Acquisition of Assets of G4 Communications Corporation and G4 Telecom NH, Inc. by SegTEL, Inc., WC Docket No. 14-132 (filed Aug 20, 2014).

GENERAL INFORMATION

The transfer of assets 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 September 11, 2014**, and reply comments **on or before September 18, 2014**. 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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² Applicants state that Riverside Partners IV, L.P. is managed by an investment committee composed of the following U.S. citizens: David Belluck, Phillip Borden, Ian Blasco, Brian Guthrie, Steven F. Kaplan, and Jon Lemelman.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 63.03(b)(2)(i).

persons attending or otherwise participating in the meeting at which the ex parte presentation was made, and (2) summarize all data presented and arguments made during the presentation. If the presentation 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.

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