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## Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act

### Section 1.767(a) Cable Landing Licenses, Modifications, and Assignments or Transfers of Control of Interests in Cable Landing Licenses (47 C.F.R. § 1.767(a))

By the Chief, Policy Division, International Bureau:

Pursuant to An Act Relating to the Landing and Operation of Submarine Cables in the United States, 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39 (Cable Landing License Act), Executive Order No. 10530, Exec. Ord. No. 10530 reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301, and section 1.767 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767, the following applications ARE GRANTED. These grants of authority are taken under section 0.261 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261. Petitions for reconsideration under section 1.106 or applications for review under section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of this public notice.

These applications have been coordinated with the Department of State and other Executive Branch agencies pursuant to section 1.767(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767(b), and consistent with procedures established with the Department of State. See Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 22167, 22192-93, paras. 51-52 (2001) (Submarine Cable Landing License Report and Order); Streamlined Procedures for Executive Branch Review of Submarine Cable Landing License Requests, State Department Media Note (Revised) (rel. Dec. 20, 2001) available at <http://2001-2009.state.gov/r/pa/prs/ps/2001/6951.htm>.

This public notice serves as each cable landing licensee's Cable Landing License, or modification thereto, pursuant to the Cable Landing License Act and sections 1.767 and 1.768 of the Commission's rules. Cable landing licensees should review carefully the terms and conditions of their licenses. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions or relevant Commission rules and policies could result in fines or forfeitures.

The Commission most recently amended its rules applicable to submarine cable landing licenses in Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, FCC 01-332, 16 FCC Rcd 22167 (2001), 67 Fed. Reg. 1615 (Jan. 14, 2002). An updated version of sections 1.767 and 1.768 of the rules is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html>. See also [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/DA-02-598A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-02-598A1.pdf) for a March 13, 2002 Public Notice; [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-332A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-332A1.pdf) for the December 14, 2001 Report and Order.

Assignment

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 04/16/2015

**Current Licensee:** Emerald Networks Holdings Limited**FROM:** Emerald Networks Holdings Limited**TO:** America Europe Connect Licenses Limited

Notification filed March 3, 2015, of the pro forma assignment of the interests in the cable landing license for the AEConnect cable network (formerly, Emerald Express Cable Network), SCL-LIC-20140206-00002, held by Emerald Networks Holdings Limited (Emerald), from Emerald to America Europe Connect Licenses Limited (AECL), effective February 25, 2015. The AEConnect cable network directly links the United States, Iceland and Ireland.

AECL is a wholly-owned subsidiary of America Europe Connect Limited (AEC), which is majority owned and controlled by Aqua Ventures International FZE (Aqua Ventures). Emerald is also majority owned and controlled by Aqua Ventures. In an intra-corporate transaction, Emerald assigned all of its assets and the cable landing license for AEConnect to AECL. Aqua Ventures continues to have control over the licensee for the AEConnect cable.

AECL agrees to comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the Emerald Networks Holdings Limited Letter of Assurance to the Department of Homeland Security, dated October 1, 2014. See Public Notice, DA 14-1533, 29 FCC Red 12743 (Int'l Bur. 2014). Accordingly, we condition grant of this assignment on compliance by America Europe Connect Licenses Limited with the commitments and undertakings set forth in the October 1, 2014 letter from Gregory Varisco, President, Emerald Networks Holding Limited to the Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy, Department of Homeland Security (October 1 2014 Letter). A failure to comply and/or remain in compliance with any of these commitments and undertakings shall constitute a failure to meet a condition of the authorization and thus grounds for declaring the license terminated without further action on the part of the Commission. Failure to meet a condition of the license may also result in monetary sanctions or other enforcement action by the Commission. A copy of the Petition and the October 1, 2014 Letter are publicly available and may be viewed on the FCC website through the International Bureau Filing System (IBFS) by searching for SCL-LIC-20140206-00002 and accessing "Other filings related to this application" from the Document Viewing area.

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America Europe Connect Licenses Limited

By letter dated April 15, 2015, America Europe Connect Licenses Limited notified the Commission of the change of the name of the Emerald Express Cable Network to the AEConnect cable network.