



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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**DA 16-461**  
**April 28, 2016**

**DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE  
ACQUISITION OF ASSETS OF QUALCOM, LLC,  
FKA QUANTUM COMMUNICATIONS, LLC BY  
LIGHTSPEED NETWORKS, INC. DBA LS NETWORKS**

**STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED**

**WC Docket No. 16-130**

**Comments Due: May 12, 2016**

**Reply Comments Due: May 19, 2016**

QualCom, LLC, fka Quantum Communications, LLC (Quantum) and LightSpeed Networks, Inc. dba LS Networks (LSN) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application, pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and section 63.03 of the Commission's rules, requesting approval to transfer the assets and customers of Quantum to LSN.<sup>1</sup>

Quantum, an Oregon limited liability corporation, is a competitive provider of local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Oregon. Applicants state that CEC-Resources, Inc. (CEC-Resources), a U.S.-based company, wholly owns Quantum. CEC Resources, in turn, is wholly owned by Central Electric Cooperative, an Oregon cooperative corporation. Applicants state that no owner of Central Electric Cooperative maintains a direct or indirect equity interest exceeding 10 percent in Quantum.

LSN, an Oregon corporation, provides competitive telecommunications services in Oregon, Washington, and California. Applicants state that the following entities hold a direct equity interest in LSN: CEC-Resources (48 percent), Rural Services Company (23 percent), and Columbia Broadband (12 percent). Applicants explain that, like CEC-Resources, Rural Services Company and Columbia Broadband are U.S.-based cooperatives that do not maintain a direct or indirect equity interest in LSN that exceeds 10 percent. Applicants state that LSN does not have any affiliates that provide domestic telecommunications services.

Pursuant to the terms of the proposed acquisition, LSN will acquire substantially all of the assets and business of Quantum, including the entirety of Quantum's interest in its operational assets and

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<sup>1</sup> See 47 C.F.R § 63.03; 47 U.S.C. § 214.

customer and supplier contracts. 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 Assets of Qualcomm, LLC, fka Quantum Communications, LLC by LightSpeed Networks, Inc. dba LS Networks, WC Docket No. 16-130 (filed Apr. 20, 2016).

## **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 May 12, 2016**, and reply comments **on or before May 19, 2016**. 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://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.

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

- 1) Myrva Freeman, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, [myrva.freeman@fcc.gov](mailto:myrva.freeman@fcc.gov);
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- 3) Jim Bird, Office of General Counsel, [jim.bird@fcc.gov](mailto:jim.bird@fcc.gov).

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

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For further information, please contact Myrva Freeman at (202) 418-1506 or Jodie May at (202) 418-0913.

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