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FCC RELEASES CIRCUIT CAPACITY DATA FOR U.S.-INTERNATIONAL SUBMARINE CABLES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016

The International Bureau today released circuit capacity data for U.S.-international submarine cables as of December 31, 2016.¹ Common carriers and cable landing licensees must file annual Circuit Capacity Reports through the Commission's [online filing system](#). The data include:

- **Cable Capacity Operator Reports** - Submarine cable landing licensees must file capacity information for each cable system as of December 31st of the current reporting period (i.e., available capacity) and two years from the current reporting period (i.e., planned capacity).²
- **Cable Capacity Holder Reports** - Submarine cable landing licensees and common carriers that owned or leased capacity on a submarine cable between the United States and any foreign point must file capacity information as of December 31st for the following categories: (1) Owned Capacity; (2) Net Indefeasible Rights-of-Use (IRUs); (3) Net Inter-Carrier Leaseholds (ICLs); (4) Net Capacity Held (categories 1-3); (5) Activated Capacity; and (6) Non-activated Capacity.³

The data are presented through the Table and Attachments set out below and can be downloaded at <https://www.fcc.gov/circuit-capacity-data-us-international-submarine-cables>.

- **Table 1** - Entities that filed a cable operator and/or capacity holder report.
- **Table 2** - Entities that filed a cable operator report.
- **Table 3** - Information on available and planned capacity data for each submarine cable on an individual and regional basis.
- **Table 4** - Detailed capacity trend data for each international submarine cable.
- **Table 5** - Information regarding capacity holder data (i.e., cable capacity leased or owned) on a regional basis.

¹ 47 CFR § 43.62 (2017). The International Bureau no longer releases an annual International Circuit Capacity Report. See *Section 43.62 Reporting Requirements for U.S. Providers of International Services; 2016 Biennial Review of Telecommunications Regulations*, IB Docket Nos. 17-55 and 16-131, Report and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 8115, 8128-29, para. 28, n. 109 (2017). Prior reports may be found at the FCC website. FCC, International Circuit Capacity Reports, <https://www.fcc.gov/reports-research/reports/international-circuit-capacity-reports>.

² Individual cable operator data are withheld from public distribution for those filing entities that requested confidential treatment.

³ Individual cable capacity holder data are withheld from public distribution for those filing entities that requested confidential treatment.

- **Table 6** - Information regarding the capacity reported in the cable operator reports and owned or leased capacity in the capacity holder reports on a regional basis.
- **Attachment A** - Information regarding U.S.-international submarine cables' landing points sorted by region, cable, and foreign landing point.
- **Attachment B** - Information regarding U.S.-international submarine cables' landing points sorted by region, foreign landing point, and cable.
- **Attachment C** - Information regarding U.S.-international submarine cables' landing points sorted by number of landing points, country and region, and a frequency table summarizing foreign landing points.

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