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## DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION GRANTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF PEG BANDWIDTH IL, LLC TO MIP IV MIDWEST FIBER, LLC

WC Docket No. 19-49

## DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION GRANTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF MISSOURI NETWORK ALLIANCE, LLC D/B/A BLUEBIRD NETWORK TO MIP IV MIDWEST FIBER, LLC

WC Docket No. 19-50

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) grants two applications requesting consent to transfer control of PEG Bandwidth IL, LLC (PEG Bandwidth), a wholly owned subsidiary of Uniti Fiber LLC,<sup>1</sup> and Missouri Network Alliance, LLC d/b/a Bluebird Network (MNA/Bluebird)<sup>2</sup> to MIP IV MidWest Fiber, LLC (MIP IV MW).<sup>3</sup>

On May 3, 2019, the Bureau released a Public Notice requesting comment on the PEG Bandwidth Application and the MNA/Bluebird Application.<sup>4</sup> On May 7, 2019, the U.S. Department of Justice, with the concurrence of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Department of Defense (collectively, the Executive Branch Agencies), filed a letter requesting that the Commission defer action on these proceedings while they completed their review of any national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues.<sup>5</sup> On May 8, 2019, the Executive Branch Agencies notified the Bureau that they

<sup>1</sup> Application of Uniti Fiber LLC and MIP IV MidWest Fiber, LLC for Consent to Transfer Control of PEG Bandwidth IL, LLC to MIP IV MidWest Fiber, LLC, WC Docket No. 19-49 (filed Mar. 4, 2019) (PEG Bandwidth Application).

<sup>2</sup> Application of MNA Holdings, LLC and Bluebird Media, LLC and MIP IV MidWest Fiber, LLC and Uniti Leasing MW LLC for Consent to Transfer Control of Missouri Network Alliance, LLC to MIP IV MidWest Fiber LLC, WC Docket No. 19-50 (filed Mar. 4, 2019) (MNA/Bluebird Application). On May 9, 2019, the Bureau granted a separate application related to the MNA/Bluebird Application requesting approval for an unauthorized transfer of control that occurred in 2011. *Notice of Domestic Section 214 Authorization Granted*, WC Docket No. 19-68, Public Notice, DA 19-398 (WCB May 9, 2019).

<sup>3</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 214; 47 CFR § 63.03.

<sup>4</sup> *Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of PEG Bandwidth IL, LLC to MIP IV Midwest Fiber, LLC and Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of Missouri Network Alliance, LLC d/b/a Bluebird Network to MIP IV Midwest Fiber, LLC*, WC Docket Nos. 19-49 and 19-50, Public Notice, DA 19-386 (WCB May 3, 2017).

<sup>5</sup> Letter from Justin Sher, U.S. Department of Justice, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket Nos. 19-49 and 19-50 (filed May 7, 2019).

withdraw their request to defer action.<sup>6</sup> They state that, based on the information provided to them by the applicants and their analysis of potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues, they have no objection to the PEG Bandwidth Application and the MNA/Bluebird Application.<sup>7</sup>

No comments were filed in opposition to a grant of the PEG Bandwidth Application and the MNA/Bluebird Application, and the Bureau finds, upon consideration of the record, that granting these applications will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.<sup>8</sup> Pursuant to section 1.103 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.103, the grant is effective upon release of this Public Notice. 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.

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<sup>6</sup> Letter from Hunter Deeley, U.S. Department of Justice, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket Nos. 19-49 and 19-50 (filed May 8, 2019).

<sup>7</sup> *Id.* at 1.

<sup>8</sup> 47 CFR § 63.03(b).