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**DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION FILED FOR THE ACQUISITION OF  
CERTAIN ASSETS OF CROWN POINT NETWORK TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
D/B/A BRIDGE POINT BY SLIC NETWORK SOLUTIONS, INC.**

**STREAMLINED PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED**

**WC Docket No. 20-420**

**Comments Due: January 4, 2021**  
**Reply Comment Due: January 11, 2021**

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau seeks comment from interested parties on an application filed by Crown Point Network Technologies, Inc. d/b/a Bridge Point (Crown Point) and SLIC Network Solutions, Inc. (SLIC), pursuant to section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and sections 63.03-04 of the Commission's rules, requesting approval for the acquisition of certain assets of Crown Point by SLIC.<sup>1</sup>

Crown Point, a New York corporation, provides service as a competitive local exchange carrier (LEC) to residential and business subscribers in the communities of Ticonderoga, Crown Point, and Moriah in Essex County in upstate New York.

SLIC, a New York corporation, provides service as a competitive LEC to approximately 6,000 customers in St. Lawrence, Franklin, Hamilton, Warren, Essex, and Clinton counties in upstate New York. Atlas Connectivity LLC (Atlas), a Delaware limited liability and holding company, wholly owns SLIC as well as Nicholville Telco LLC (Nicholville Telco), a New York limited liability company that provides services as an incumbent LEC in St. Lawrence County, New York.<sup>2</sup> Applicants state that there is no geographic overlap or adjacency between the service territories of Nicholville Telco and Crown Point. 5LOOP, LLC (5LOOP), a Delaware limited liability company and private equity investor, holds 80.13% of Atlas, while the remaining 19.87% is held by 24 investors with no single investor holding more than a 4.16% interest in Atlas.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 214; 47 CFR §§ 63.03-04. Applicants also filed an application for the transfer of authorizations associated with international services. On December 15, 2020, December 16, 2020, and December 18, 2020, Applicants filed supplements to their domestic section 214 application. Any action on this domestic section 214 application is without prejudice to Commission action on other related, pending applications.

<sup>2</sup> Applicants state that Nicholville Telco serves the Lawrence, Hopkinton, Stockholm, Parishville, and Brasher communities in St. Lawrence County, New York.

Applicants state that neither SLIC, nor any of its affiliates, hold a 10% or greater interest in any other provider of domestic telecommunications services.

Pursuant to the terms of the proposed transaction, SLIC will acquire approximately 1,150 customers from Crown Point. Applicants request streamlined treatment of the proposed transaction under the Commission's rules and assert that a grant of the application would serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. We accept this application for filing under section 63.03(b)(2)(ii) of the Commission's rules.<sup>4</sup>

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Acquisition of Certain Assets of Crown Point Network Technologies, Inc. d/b/a Bridge Point by SLIC Network Solutions, Inc., WC Docket No. 20-420 (filed Dec. 8, 2020).

### **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 January 4, 2021**, and reply comments **on or before January 11, 2021**. Pursuant to section 63.52 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 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 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) Tracey Wilson, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, [tracey.wilson@fcc.gov](mailto:tracey.wilson@fcc.gov);
- 2) Gregory Kwan, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, [gregory.kwan@fcc.gov](mailto:gregory.kwan@fcc.gov);
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- 4) Jim Bird, Office of General Counsel, [jim.bird@fcc.gov](mailto:jim.bird@fcc.gov).

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<sup>3</sup> Applicants state that the following Delaware partnership and U.S. citizens hold a 10% or greater interest in 5LOOP: Rock Island Capital Fund II, L.P. (Rock Island) (78.96%) and Bradley Pattelli and his family (17.63%). RIC GP II, LLC (RIC GP), a Delaware limited liability company, is the general partner for Rock Island, and Lanigan Holdings, LLC, (Lanigan Holdings), an Illinois limited liability and holding company, holds a 12.6% interest in Rock Island. Applicants state that the managing members of both RIC GP and Lanigan Holdings are all U.S. citizens.

<sup>4</sup> 47 CFR § 63.03(b)(2)(ii).

The proceeding in this Notice shall be treated as a “permit-but-disclose” proceeding in accordance with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules. Persons making *ex parte* presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must (1) list all 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 CFR § 1.1206(b). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.

To allow the Commission to consider fully all substantive issues regarding the application in as timely and efficient a manner as possible, petitioners and commenters should raise all issues in their initial filings. New issues may not be raised in responses or replies.<sup>5</sup> A party or interested person seeking to raise a new issue after the pleading cycle has closed must show good cause why it was not possible for it to have raised the issue previously. Submissions after the pleading cycle has closed that seek to raise new issues based on new facts or newly discovered facts should be filed within 15 days after such facts are discovered. Absent such a showing of good cause, any issues not timely raised may be disregarded by the Commission.

For further information, please contact Tracey Wilson at (202) 418-1394 or Gregory Kwan (202) 418-1191.

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<sup>5</sup> See 47 CFR § 1.45(c).