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International Authorizations Granted

Section 214 Applications (47 CFR §§ 63.18, 63.24); Section 310(b) Petitions (47 CFR § 1.5000)

The following applications have been granted pursuant to the Commission's processing procedures set forth in sections 63.12, 63.20 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 63.12, 63.20, other provisions of the Commission's rules, or procedures set forth in an earlier public notice listing the applications as accepted for filing.

Unless otherwise noted, these grants authorize the applicants: (1) to become a facilities-based international common carrier subject to 47 CFR §§ 63.21, 63.22; and/or (2) to become a resale-based international common carrier subject to 47 CFR §§ 63.21, 63.23; (3) to assign or transfer control of international section 214 authority in accordance with 47 CFR § 63.24; or (4) to exceed the foreign ownership benchmarks applicable to common carrier radio licensees under 47 U.S.C. § 310(b); see Subpart T of Part 1 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.5000-5004.

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE SERVES AS EACH NEWLY AUTHORIZED CARRIER'S SECTION 214 CERTIFICATE. It contains general and specific conditions, which are set forth below. Newly authorized carriers should carefully review the terms and conditions of their authorizations. Failure to comply with general or specific conditions of an authorization, or with other relevant Commission rules and policies, could result in fines and forfeitures.

Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.106, 1.115, in regard to the grant of any of these applications may be filed within thirty days of this public notice (see 47 CFR § 1.4(b)(2)).

ITC-ASG-20210816-00117 E Legent Comm LLC

Assignment

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 09/24/2021

Current Licensee: Affordable Long Distance LLC

FROM: Affordable Long Distance LLC

TO: Legent Comm LLC

Application filed for consent to the assignment of customers from Affordable Long Distance LLC (Affordable) to Legent Comm LLC (Legent). Pursuant to a Purchase Agreement, Legent will acquire all of Affordable's customers. Legent will provide international service to the customers it will acquire pursuant to its existing international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20011113-00568. Affordable will retain its international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20090617-00290, which it intends to surrender when the transaction closes. Legent, a Nevada limited liability company, is wholly owned by Scott A. White, a U.S. citizen.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

ITC-T/C-20210602-00092 E

Sunset Fiber, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 09/27/2021

Current Licensee: Sunset Fiber, LLC

FROM: Point Broadband, LLC

TO: Point Broadband Acquisition, LLC

Application filed for consent to transfer control of Sunset Fiber, LLC (Sunset Fiber), a Delaware limited liability company which holds international section 214 authorizations ITC-214-20020404-00165 and ITC-214-20051026-00434, from Point Broadband, LLC (Point Broadband) to Point Broadband Acquisition, LLC (Point Acquisition). Sunset is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of Point Broadband Fiber Holding, LLC (Point Fiber), which is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Point Broadband. Pursuant to a March 12 2021, Membership Purchase Agreement, Point Acquisition will acquire Point Fiber from Point Broadband. Upon consummation, Point Fiber and Sunset Fiber will become indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Point Acquisition.

Point Acquisition, a Georgia limited liability company, is managed by GTCR, LLC (GTCR), a Delaware limited liability company. Point Acquisition is wholly owned by Point Broadband Intermediate, LLC, which in turn is wholly owned by Point Broadband Holdings, LLC (Point Holdings), both Delaware limited liability companies. The 10% or greater owners of Point Holdings are GTCR Fund XIII/B LP (Fund XIII/B) (51.7%) and GTCR Fund XIII/C LP (Fund XIII/C) (20%). The general partner of Fund XIII/B is GTCR Partners XIII/B LP (Partners XIII/B), and the general partner of Fund XIII/C is GTCR Partners XIII/A&C LP (Partners XIII/A&C). The general partner of Partners XIII/B and Partners XIII/A&C is GTCR Investment XIII LLC (Investment XIII). Control of Investment XIII is held by following Managing Directors of GTCR: Mark M. Anderson, Craig A. Bondy, Aaron D. Cohen, Sean L. Cunningham, Benjamin J. Daverman, David A. Donnini, Dean S. Mihas, and Collin E. Roche, all U.S. citizens. All entities are U.S.-based. Applicants state that no other person or entity, directly or indirectly, will control or own a 10% or greater equity interest in Sunset Fiber.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

ITC-T/C-20210809-00115 E

Chesnee Cable, Inc.

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 09/24/2021

Current Licensee: Chesnee Cable, Inc.

FROM: Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation

TO: Comporium, Inc.

Application filed for consent to transfer control of Chesnee Cable, Inc. (Chesnee Cable), a South Carolina corporation which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-19990903-00581, from Skyline Telephone Membership Corporation (Skyline) to Comporium, Inc. (Comporium). Chesnee Cable is a wholly owned subsidiary of Chesnee Telephone Company, Incorporated (Chesnee Telephone) which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Skyline. Pursuant to an August 2, 2021, Stock Purchase Agreement, Comporium will acquire 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Chesnee Telephone from Skyline. Chesnee Telephone and Chesnee Cable will become direct and indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Comporium.

Comporium is a South Carolina corporation in which the following partnership and trusts hold a 10% or greater ownership interest: LAB Associates, Limited Partnership (LAB Associates), 46.03%; Bryant G. Barnes 2015 Revocable Trust (Trustee: Bryant G. Barnes), 16.19%; 2007 Jean D. Barnes Irrevocable Trust Dated March 22, 2007 (Co-Trustees: John M. Barnes Jr., Charles D. Barnes, and Jean S. Barnes), 16.54%; and Edwin Ladson Barnes Revocable Living Trust Dated March 7, 2017 (Co-Trustees: Louise Barron Barnes, and Susan Barnes Ellis), 16.33%. The general partners of LAB Associates, a South Carolina limited partnership, are Martha Rebecca Francis, Ladson A. Barnes, III, and The Estate of Ladson A. Barnes, Jr. (Co-Personal Representatives Martha Rebecca Francis, and Ladson A. Barnes, III). LAB Associates' limited partners that hold a 10% or greater ownership interest are as follows: 2009 Francis Irrevocable Trust (Trustee: Ladson A. Barnes III), 27.03% limited partner interest; 2010 Oma Lucille Barnes M G Trust (Trustee: Dewey Franklin Marshall IV), 28.03% limited partner interest; and 2010 Ladson A. Barnes III Irrevocable Trust (Trustee: Martha Rebecca Francis). All of the trusts are U.S. trusts and all of individuals are U.S. citizens. According to Applicants, the remaining limited partnership interests in LAB Associates are held by Barnes' family members, and each hold a less than 10% interest.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

SURRENDER

ITC-214-20010702-00355

Shaw Business US Inc.

Shaw Business US Inc. notified the Commission of the surrender of its international section 214 authorization, effective September 28, 2021.

CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS

- (1) These authorizations are subject to the Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations, which identifies restrictions on providing service to particular countries or using particular facilities. The most recent Exclusion List is at the end of this Public Notice. The list applies to all U.S. international carriers, including those that have previously received global or limited global Section 214 authority, whether by Public Notice or specific written order. Carriers are advised that the attached Exclusion List is subject to amendment at any time pursuant to the procedures set forth in Streamlining the International Section 214 Authorization Process and Tariff Requirements, IB Docket No. 95-118, 11 FCC Rcd 12884 (1996), para. 18. A copy of the current Exclusion List will be maintained in the FCC Reference and Information Center and will be available at <http://transition.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/exclusionlist.html>. It also will be attached to each Public Notice that grants international Section 214 authority.
- (2) The export of telecommunications services and related payments to countries that are subject to economic sanctions may be restricted. For information concerning current restrictions, call the Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, (202) 622-2520.
- (3) Carriers shall comply with the requirements of Section 63.11 of the Commission's rules, which requires notification by, and in certain circumstances prior notification by, U.S. carriers acquiring an affiliation with foreign carriers. A carrier that acquires an affiliation with a foreign carrier will be subject to possible reclassification as a dominant carrier on an affiliated route pursuant to the provisions of Section 63.10 of the rules.
- (4) A carrier may provide switched services over its authorized resold private lines in the circumstances specified in Section 63.23(d) of the rules, 47 CFR § 63.23(d).
- (5) Carriers shall comply with the "No Special Concessions" rule, Section 63.14, 47 CFR § 63.14.
- (6) Carriers regulated as dominant for the provision of a particular communications service on a particular route for any reason other than a foreign carrier affiliation under Section 63.10 of the rules shall file tariffs pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 203, and Part 61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR Part 61. Carriers shall not otherwise file tariffs except as permitted by Section 61.19 of the rules, 47 C.F.R. § 61.19. Except as specified in Section 20.15 with respect to commercial mobile radio service providers, carriers regulated as non-dominant, as defined in Section 61.3, and providing detariffed international services pursuant to Section 61.19, must comply with all applicable public disclosure and maintenance of information requirements in Sections 42.10 and 42.11.
- (7) International facilities-based service providers must file and maintain a list of U.S.-international routes on which they have direct termination arrangements with a foreign carrier. 47 CFR § 63.22(h). A new international facilities-based service provider or one without existing direct termination arrangements must file its list within thirty (30) days of entering into a direct termination arrangement(s) with a foreign carrier(s). Thereafter, international facilities-based service providers must update their lists within thirty (30) days after adding a termination arrangement for a new foreign destination or discontinuing an arrangement with a previously listed destination. See Process For The Filing Of Routes On Which International Service Providers Have Direct Termination Arrangements With A Foreign Carrier, ITC-MS-20181015-00182, Public Notice, 33 FCC Rcd 10008 (IB 2018).
- (8) Any U.S. Carrier that owned or leased bare capacity on a submarine cable between the United States and any foreign point must file a Circuit Capacity Report to provide information about the submarine cable capacity it holds. 47 CFR § 43.82(a)(2). See <https://www.fcc.gov/circuit-capacity-data-us-international-submarine-cables>.
- (9) Carriers should consult Section 63.19 of the rules when contemplating a discontinuance, reduction or impairment of service.
- (10) If any carrier is reselling service obtained pursuant to a contract with another carrier, the services obtained by contract shall be made generally available by the underlying carrier to similarly situated customers at the same terms, conditions and rates. 47 U.S.C. § 203.
- (11) To the extent the applicant is, or is affiliated with, an incumbent independent local exchange carrier, as those terms are defined in Section 64.1902 of the rules, it shall provide the authorized services in compliance with the requirements of Section 64.1903.

(12) Except as otherwise ordered by the Commission, a carrier authorized here to provide facilities-based service that (i) is classified as dominant under Section 63.10 of the rules for the provision of such service on a particular route and (ii) is affiliated with a carrier that collects settlement payments for terminating U.S. international switched traffic at the foreign end of that route may not provide facilities-based switched service on that route unless the current rates the affiliate charges U.S. international carriers to terminate traffic are at or below the Commission's relevant benchmark adopted in International Settlement Rates, IB Docket No. 96-261, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 19806 (1997). See also Report and Order on Reconsideration and Order Lifting Stay in IB Docket No. 96-261, FCC 99-124 (rel. June 11, 1999). For the purposes of this rule, "affiliated" and "foreign carrier" are defined in Section 63.09.

(13) Carriers shall comply with the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA), see 47 CFR §§ 1.20000 et seq.

(14) Every carrier must designate an agent for service in the District of Columbia. See 47 U.S.C. § 413, 47 CFR §§ 1.47(h), 64.1195.

Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations

The following is a list of countries and facilities not covered by grant of global Section 214 authority under Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR § 63.18(e)(1). Carriers desiring to serve countries or use facilities listed as excluded hereon shall file a separate Section 214 application pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(3) of the Commission's Rules. See 47 CFR § 63.22(c).

Countries:

None.

Facilities:

Any non-U.S.-licensed space station that has not received Commission approval to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the procedures adopted in the Commission's DISCO II Order, IB Docket No. 96-111, Report and Order, FCC 97-399, 12 FCC Rcd 24094, 24107-72 paragraphs 30-182 (1997) (DISCO II Order). Information regarding non-U.S.-licensed space stations approved to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the Commission's DISCO II procedures is maintained at <https://www.fcc.gov/approved-space-station-list>.

This list is subject to change by the Commission when the public interest requires. The most current version of the list is maintained at <https://www.fcc.gov/exclusion-list-international-section-214-authorizations>.

For additional information, contact the International Bureau's Telecommunications and Analysis Division, (202) 418-1480.