

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554**

In the Matter of	)	
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IK Communications, Inc. and IK	)	File No.: EB-IHD-20-00031696
Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel	)	NAL/Acct. No.: 202232080005
	)	FRN: 0018324327

**FORFEITURE ORDER**

**Adopted: February 23, 2024**

**Released: February 23, 2024**

By the Chief, Enforcement Bureau:

1. In this *Forfeiture Order (Order)*, we issue a monetary forfeiture in the amount of \$100,000 to IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel (collectively, IK Communications or Company) for the untimely submission of Annual Telecommunications Reporting Worksheets (Annual Worksheets) and a failure to respond to an Enforcement Bureau (Bureau) Letter of Inquiry (LOI).

2. On February 17, 2022, the Bureau issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture (*NAL*)<sup>1</sup> proposing a \$100,000 forfeiture against IK Communications for its apparent willful and repeated failure to file timely Annual Worksheets, and its apparent willful failure to respond to the Bureau's LOI.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, the Company untimely filed six Annual Worksheets between April 1, 2016 and April 1, 2021, and failed to respond to the Bureau's LOI, dated January 22, 2021.<sup>3</sup> The Company did not file a response to the *NAL*.<sup>4</sup> Based on the information before us, we affirm the forfeiture proposed in the *NAL*.<sup>5</sup>

3. Accordingly, **IT IS ORDERED** that, pursuant to section 503(b) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 503(b), and section 1.80 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.80, IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel, **IS LIABLE FOR A MONETARY FORFEITURE** in the

<sup>1</sup> *IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel*, Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture, 37 FCC Rcd 1825 (EB 2022) (*NAL*).

<sup>2</sup> *See generally id.* As noted in the *NAL*, the "facts indicate that IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation are related and apparently the same or affiliated business entities," and accordingly the *NAL* explained that both companies would be held "jointly and severally liable for the apparent violations" described in the *NAL*. *Id.* at 1825, 1829, paras. 1, 9 & nn.1, 26.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* at 1830, paras. 12-13.

<sup>4</sup> The Bureau ordered IK Communications to pay the full amount of the proposed forfeiture or file a written statement seeking reduction or cancellation of the proposed forfeiture within 30 days of the release date of the *NAL*. *Id.* at 1835, para. 25. The Bureau mailed the *NAL* via First Class Mail and Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested, and received the signed return receipt. *See* Certified Mail Return Receipt (Feb. 22, 2022) (on file in EB-IHD-20-00031696); *see also* 47 CFR §1.80(g)(2) ("The notice of apparent liability will be sent to the respondent, by certified mail, at his last known address (see § 1.5).").

<sup>5</sup> *See* 47 CFR § 1.80(g)(4) ("If the proposed forfeiture penalty is not paid in full in response to the notice of apparent liability, the Commission, upon considering all relevant information available to it, will issue an order canceling or reducing the proposed forfeiture or *requiring that it be paid in full and stating the date by which the forfeiture must be paid.*") (emphasis added).

amount of one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for willfully and repeatedly violating section 54.711 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 54.711, and willfully violating a Commission order.<sup>6</sup>

4. Payment of the forfeiture shall be made in the manner provided for in section 1.80 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.80, within thirty (30) calendar days after the release of this Forfeiture Order. IK Communications Inc. and IK Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel shall send electronic notification of payment to Patrick McGrath at [Patrick.McGrath@fcc.gov](mailto:Patrick.McGrath@fcc.gov), Georgina Feigen at [Georgina.Feigen@fcc.gov](mailto:Georgina.Feigen@fcc.gov), Kalun Lee at [Kalun.Lee@fcc.gov](mailto:Kalun.Lee@fcc.gov), and Tram Pham at [Tram.Pham@fcc.gov](mailto:Tram.Pham@fcc.gov) on the date said payment is made. If the forfeiture is not paid within the period specified, the case may be referred to the U.S. Department of Justice for enforcement of the forfeiture pursuant to section 504(a) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 504(a).

5. In order for IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation d/b/a Amantel to pay the proposed forfeiture, IK Communications shall notify Patrick McGrath at [Patrick.McGrath@fcc.gov](mailto:Patrick.McGrath@fcc.gov), Georgina Feigen at [Georgina.Feigen@fcc.gov](mailto:Georgina.Feigen@fcc.gov), Kalun Lee at [Kalun.Lee@fcc.gov](mailto:Kalun.Lee@fcc.gov), and Tram Pham at [Tram.Pham@fcc.gov](mailto:Tram.Pham@fcc.gov) of its intent to pay, whereupon an invoice will be posted in the Commission's Registration System (CORES) at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>. Payment of the forfeiture must be made by credit card using CORES at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>, ACH (Automated Clearing House) debit from a bank account, or by wire transfer from a bank account. The Commission no longer accepts forfeiture payments by check or money order. Below are instructions that payors should follow based on the form of payment selected:<sup>7</sup>

- Payment by wire transfer must be made to ABA Number 021030004, receiving bank TREAS/NYC, and Account Number 27000001. In the OBI field, enter the FRN(s) captioned above and the letters "FORF". In addition, a completed Form 159<sup>8</sup> or printed CORES form<sup>9</sup> must be faxed to the Federal Communications Commission at 202-418-2843 or e-mailed to [RROGWireFaxes@fcc.gov](mailto:RROGWireFaxes@fcc.gov) on the same business day the wire transfer is initiated. Failure to provide all required information in Form 159 or CORES may result in payment not being recognized as having been received. When completing FCC Form 159 or CORES, enter the Account Number in block number 23A (call sign/other ID), enter the letters "FORF" in block number 24A (payment type code), and enter in block number 11 the FRN(s) captioned above (Payor FRN).<sup>10</sup> For additional detail and wire transfer instructions, go to <https://www.fcc.gov/licensingdatabases/fees/wire-transfer>.
- Payment by credit card must be made by using CORES at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>. To pay by credit card, log-in using the FCC Username associated to the FRN captioned above. If payment must be split across FRNs, complete this process for each FRN. Next, select "Manage Existing FRNs | FRN Financial | Bills & Fees" from the CORES Menu, then select FRN Financial and the view/make payments option next to the FRN. Select the "Open Bills" tab and find the bill number associated with the NAL Acct. No. The bill number is the NAL Acct. No. with the first two digits excluded (e.g., NAL 1912345678 would be associated with FCC Bill Number 12345678). After selecting the bill for

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<sup>6</sup> See 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 218, 403.

<sup>7</sup> For questions regarding payment procedures, please contact the Financial Operations Group Help Desk by phone at 1-877-480-3201 (option #1).

<sup>8</sup> FCC Form 159 is accessible at <https://www.fcc.gov/licensing-databases/fees/fcc-remittance-advice-form-159>.

<sup>9</sup> Information completed using the Commission's Registration System (CORES) does not require the submission of an FCC Form 159. CORES is accessible at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>.

<sup>10</sup> Instructions for completing the form may be obtained at <http://www.fcc.gov/Forms/Form159/159.pdf>.

payment, choose the “Pay by Credit Card” option. Please note that there is a \$24,999.99 limit on credit card transactions.

- Payment by ACH must be made by using CORES at <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>. To pay by ACH, log in using the FCC Username associated to the FRN captioned above. If payment must be split across FRNs, complete this process for each FRN. Next, select “Manage Existing FRNs | FRN Financial | Bills & Fees” on the CORES Menu, then select FRN Financial and the view/make payments option next to the FRN. Select the “Open Bills” tab and find the bill number associated with the NAL Acct. No. The bill number is the NAL Acct. No. with the first two digits excluded (e.g., NAL 1912345678 would be associated with FCC Bill Number 12345678). Finally, choose the “Pay from Bank Account” option. Please contact the appropriate financial institution to confirm the correct Routing Number and the correct account number from which payment will be made and verify with that financial institution that the designated account has authorization to accept ACH transactions.

6. Any request for making full payment over time under an installment plan should be sent to: Chief Financial Officer – Financial Operations, Federal Communications Commission, 45 L Street NE, Washington, D.C. 20554. Questions regarding payment procedures should be directed to the Financial Operations Group Help Desk by telephone, 1-877-480-3201, or by e-mail, [ARINQUIRIES@fcc.gov](mailto:ARINQUIRIES@fcc.gov).

7. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that a copy of this Forfeiture Order shall be sent by first class mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, to Ravinder Paul, Chief Executive Officer, IK Communications, Inc. and IK Communications Corporation, d/b/a Amantel, 21 Holly Road, Iselin, N.J. 08830, and by e-mail to [paul@amantel.com](mailto:paul@amantel.com).

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