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Non-Streamlined Submarine Cable Landing License Applications
Accepted For Filing

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. Pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39, and Executive Order No. 10530, reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301, each applicant seeks: (a) the grant of a submarine cable landing license; (b) the modification of a submarine cable landing license; and/or (c) the assignment or transfer of control of an interest in a submarine cable landing license. These applications are not subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 1.767 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767. Pursuant to section 1.1910(b)(2) of the rules, action will be withheld on any application by any entity found to be delinquent in its debts to the Commission. Applicants should check the Red Light Display System's website at www.fcc.gov/redlight to determine if they are delinquent in a debt to the Commission and for information on how to pay the debt. 47 CFR § 1.1910(b)(2).

Unless otherwise specified, filings relating to these applications must be received within 14 days of this notice. Ex parte communications between outside parties and Commission staff concerning these applications are permitted subject to the Commission's rules for "permit-but-disclose proceedings." See 47 CFR § 1.1206. All applications listed are subject to further consideration and review, and may be returned and/or dismissed if not found to be in accordance with the Commission's rules, regulations, and other requirements.

These applications are being coordinated with the Department of State and other Executive Branch agencies pursuant to section 1.767(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(b), and consistent with procedures established with the Department of State. See Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 22167, 22192-93, paras. 51-52 (2001) (Submarine Cable Landing License Report and Order); Commission Announces Department of State's Revised Procedures for its Consideration of Submarine Cable Landing License Applications, IB Docket No. 16-155, Public Notice, DA 22-435 (rel. Apr. 19, 2022).

Pursuant to its decision in Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Submarine Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, FCC 01-332, 16 FCC Rcd 22167 (2001), and section 1.767 of the rules, the Commission will take action upon these applications within ninety (90) days after release of this public notice, unless it determines that additional time is needed.

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INFORMATIVE:

SCL-STA-20251125-00079 S250511 Rogers Communications, Inc.
Date filed: 2025-11-26
Special Temporary Authority

On November 26, 2025, Rogers Communications, Inc. (Rogers), on behalf of the licensees of the AmeriCan-1 Cable System (Ledcor Industries (USA) Inc., Zayo Group, LLC, Marine Cable Corporation, and Rogers) filed a request to renew its Special Temporary Authority (STA) to continue the operation of the AmeriCan-1 Cable System (SCL-LIC-19980123-00002) while the Commission considers a forthcoming application for a new cable landing license for AmeriCan-1. Rogers' current STA (SCL-STA-20250506-00015) expires on December 5, 2025.

Rogers acknowledges that grant of the STA will not prejudice action by the Commission on the underlying renewal application and that the STA is subject to cancellation or modification upon notice without a hearing.

Action on this STA renewal request is without prejudice to any enforcement action by the Commission for non-compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or the Commission's rules.

Interested parties may file comments on or before December 19, 2025.

SCL-MOD-20241204-00047 S250459 Hawaiki Submarine Cable USA LLC
Date filed: 2024-12-04
Modification

On September 30, 2025, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, on behalf of the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector (Committee), filed a Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License regarding the application filed by Hawaiki Submarine Cable USA LLC (HSC USA) for authority to modify the cable landing license for the Hawaiki Submarine Cable System (Hawaiki) (SCL-LIC-20160906-00019) to authorize a new branch to Vava'u, Tonga. The Committee has no objection to the Commission approving SCL-LIC-20160906-00019, provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurances of HSC USA and BW Digital Pte. Ltd (BW Digital) to abide by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the September 17, 2025 commitment letter and the March 23, 2022 Letter of Agreement (LOA) from HSC USA and BW Digital.

On December 1, 2025, the Commission referred the application to the Department of State (State) pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act of 1921 and Executive Order No. 10530. 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39, Executive Order No. 10530 (reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301). That began the 10-day State review process set out in the letter from the Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs to the Chairwoman, Federal Communications Commission (Feb. 23, 2022). *See* Commission Announces Department of State's Revised Procedures for its Consideration of Submarine Cable Landing License Applications, IB Docket No. 16-155, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 5183 (2022).

SCL-LIC-20241224-00052 S250403 Edge Cable Holdings USA, LLC
Date filed: 2024-12-24
Submarine Cable Landing License

On November 25, 2025, the Chair of Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector (Committee) notified the Commission that the Committee granted the Applicant an extension and thus is extending its initial review period for the application for the ORCA cable system to conclude on or before January 12, 2026, pursuant to Executive Order 13913 (85 Fed Reg 19643 (April 8, 2020)).

On November 25, 2025, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, on behalf of the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector (Committee), filed a Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License regarding the application filed by Starfish Infrastructure Inc. (Starfish) for a license to construct, land, and operate the Bulikula cable system. The Committee has no objection to the Commission granting the applications provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurances of Starfish and Google LLC (“Google”), (collectively, the parties), to abide by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the November 17, 2025, National Security Agreement (NSA) by and between Starfish and Google on the one hand, and the Committee, represented by DHS, the Department of Justice, and the Department of Defense, on the other hand.

On November 26, 2025, the Commission referred the applications to the Department of State (State) pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act of 1921 and Executive Order No. 10530. 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39, Executive Order No. 10530 (reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301). This begins the 10-day State review process set out in the letter from the Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs to the Chairwoman, Federal Communications Commission (Feb. 23, 2022). See Commission Announces Department of State's Revised Procedures for its Consideration of Submarine Cable Landing License Applications, IB Docket No. 16-155, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 5183 (2022).

On November 20, 2025, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, on behalf of the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector (Committee), filed a Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License regarding the application filed by Aqua Comms (Americas) Inc. The Committee has no objection to the Commission granting the application provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurance of EXA Infrastructure UK Limited (EXA Infrastructure UK) to abide by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the September 2, 2019, Letter of Agreement (LOA) regarding the Havfrue cable system (SCL-LIC-20180511-00010), the January 5, 2021, LOA regarding the AEC-1 cable system (SCL-LIC-20140206-00002), the April 1, 2021, LOA regarding the Amitie cable system, and the September 22, 2025, Commitment Letter from Jocelyn Cho, General Counsel,) EXA Infrastructure UK Limited, to Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

On November 21, 2025, the Commission referred the application to the Department of State (State) pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act of 1921 and Executive Order No. 10530. 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39, Executive Order No. 10530 (reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301). That began the 10-day State review process set out in the letter from the Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs to the Chair, Federal Communications Commission (Feb. 23, 2022). *See* Commission Announces Department of State's Revised Procedures for its Consideration of Submarine Cable Landing License Applications, IB Docket No. 16-155, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 5183 (2022).

On November 20, 2025, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, on behalf of the Committee for the Assessment of Foreign Participation in the United States Telecommunications Services Sector (Committee), filed a Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorization and License regarding the application. The Committee has no objection to the Commission granting the application provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurance of EXA Infrastructure UK Limited (EXA Infrastructure UK) to abide by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the September 2, 2019, Letter of Agreement (LOA) regarding the Havfrue cable system (SCL-LIC-20180511-00010), the January 5, 2021, LOA regarding the AEC-1 cable system (SCL-LIC-20140206-00002), the April 1, 2021, LOA regarding the Amitie cable system, and the September 22, 2025, Commitment Letter from Jocelyn Cho, General Counsel, EXA Infrastructure UK Limited, to Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

On November 21, 2025, the Commission referred the application to the Department of State (State) pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act of 1921 and Executive Order No. 10530. 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39, Executive Order No. 10530 (reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301). That began the 10-day State review process set out in the letter from the Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs to the Chair, Federal Communications Commission (Feb. 23, 2022). *See* Commission Announces Department of State's Revised Procedures for its Consideration of Submarine Cable Landing License Applications, IB Docket No. 16-155, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 5183 (2022).

SCL-STA-20251125-00080 S250510

DR Fortress, LLC

Date filed: 2025-11-26

Special Temporary Authority

On November 26, 2025 DR Fortress, LLC (DR Fortress), a licensee on the Hawaiki cable system (SCL-LIC-20160906-000019), filed a request for extension of Special Temporary Authority (STA) to continue to operate and manage the Oahu, Hawaii cable landing station for the Hawaiki cable system at its own risk while the Commission considers the application for the transfer of control of DR Fortress to GI DI Fortress Parent LLC (SCL-T/C-20250331-00009) and notification regarding the pro forma assignment of license to GI DI Fortress SpinCo LLC (SCL-ASG-20250331-00011). DR Fortress' initial STA (SCL-STA-20250331-00010) expires on December 5, 2025. DR Fortress acknowledges that grant of the STA will not prejudice action by the Commission on the underlying application and that the STA is subject to cancellation or modification upon notice.

Action on this STA extension request is without prejudice to any enforcement action by the Commission for non-compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or the Commission's rules.

Interested parties may file comments on or before December 19, 2025.

On December 1, 2025, Camelot Landing, LLC (Camelot) requested special temporary authority (STA) to continue the operation of the Yellow Cable System (SCL-LIC-19990913-00019, SCL-MOD-20020415-00026) while the Commission considers a forthcoming application for a new cable landing license for the Yellow Cable System. Colt acknowledges that the grant of the STA will not prejudice any action the Commission may take on the renewal application, when filed, and that the STA can be modified or revoked by the Commission upon its own motion without a hearing. Colt also acknowledges that the continued operation of the cable systems during the STA would remain subject to the conditions set forth in the existing cable landing license.

Action on this STA request is without prejudice to any enforcement action by the Commission for non-compliance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, or the Commission's rules.

Interested parties may file comments on or before December 19, 2025.

REMINDER:

Applicants must certify that neither the applicant nor any party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits by federal and/or state courts under authority granted in 21 U.S.C. § 862. See 47 CFR §§ 1.2001-.2003.

By this notice, we inform the public that submarine cable landing license applications that are part of larger transactions involving multiple Commission licenses or authorizations may involve "extraordinary circumstances" as referenced in Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Submarine Cable Landing License Act, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 22167 (2001) and Rules and Policies on Foreign Participation in the U.S. Telecommunications Market, Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 23891 (1997), paras. 327-28, Order on Reconsideration, 15 FCC Rcd 18158 (2000). Additionally, extraordinary circumstances result where Executive Branch agencies petition the Commission to defer action on an application pending the resolution of potential national security, law enforcement, foreign policy and trade policy issues. Accordingly, these applications may not be acted on within the 90-day review period that the Commission has established as the period of time normally required to reach a decision on non-streamlined submarine cable landing licenses. This notice shall serve as public notice to applicants that, in these circumstances, additional time may be required for Commission review and final action. No additional formal public notice will be provided routinely with respect to specific applications in the event that the applicable review period extends beyond 90 days