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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 and subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in section 1.767 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767. 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.

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 forty-five (45) days after release of this public notice, unless upon further examination an application is deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

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 C.F.R. § 1.1206. Unless otherwise specified, interested parties may file comments with respect to these applications within 14 days of this notice. Such filings will not necessarily result in an application being deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice). 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.

INFORMATIVE:

SCL-FCN-20260110-00011 S260003 America Europe Connect 2 USA Inc.

Date filed: 2026-01-13

Foreign Carrier Notification Filings

On January 13, 2026, pursuant to section 1.768(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.768(c), America Europe Connect 2 USA Inc. (AEC2USA) notified the Commission that it became affiliated with foreign carriers set forth below upon the acquisition of AEC2USA by EXA Infrastructure UK Limited. *See* SCL-T/C-20250325-00008, Actions Taken Under Submarine Cable Landing License Act, *Public Notice*, DA 25-1047 (OIA rel. Dec. 11, 2025). As a result of the transaction, AEC2USA is now affiliated with the following foreign carriers: (1) in Denmark: EXA Infrastructure Denmark ApS; (2) in France: EXA Infrastructure France SAS, EXA Infrastructure France II SAS, EXA Infrastructure Netherlands II B.V., HGC Global Communications (UK) Limited and Trans Adriatic Express Limited (France - Branch); (3) in Ireland: EXA Infrastructure Atlantic Ireland Limited, EXA Infrastructure Express Ireland Limited and HGC Global Communications (UK) Limited; (4) in Norway: EXA Infrastructure Norge AS; (5) in the United Kingdom: EXA Infrastructure Atlantic UK Limited, EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited, EXA Infrastructure Netherlands II B.V., EXA Infrastructure Services UK Limited and EXA Infrastructure UK Limited.

According to AEC2USA, it should be excepted from the reporting requirements contained in section 1.767(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(l), because each of its foreign carrier affiliates holds far less than a 50% market share in either the international-transport or local access market in the relevant foreign destination country and thus lack market power. AEC2USA is a licensee on the Havfrue Cable System (SCL-LIC-20180511-00010).

SCL-FCN-20260113-00012 S260012 EXA Infrastructure US, LLC

Date filed: 2026-01-29

Foreign Carrier Notification Filings

On January 29, 2026, pursuant to section 1.768(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.768(c), EXA Infrastructure US, LLC (EXA Infrastructure US) notified the Commission that it became affiliated with foreign carriers set forth below upon the acquisition of Aqua Comms Designated Activity Company (Aqua Comms DAC) and its subsidiaries by EXA Infrastructure UK Limited, an affiliate of EXA Infrastructure US. *See* SCL-T/C-20250325-00007 and SCL-T/C-20250325-00008, Actions Taken Under Submarine Cable Landing License Act, *Public Notice*, DA 25-1047 (OIA rel. Dec. 11, 2025). As a result of the transaction, EXA Infrastructure US is now affiliated with the following foreign carriers: (1) in Denmark: America Europe Connect 2 Denmark ApS and North Sea Connect ApS; (2) in Ireland: America Europe Connect 2 Limited, Aqua Comms (Ireland) Limited and Celtix Connect Limited; (3) in the United Kingdom: America Europe Connect (UK) Limited.

According to EXA Infrastructure US, it should be excepted from the reporting requirements contained in section 1.767(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(l), because each of its foreign carrier affiliates holds far less than a 50% market share in either the international-transport or local access market in the relevant foreign destination country and thus lack market power. EXA Infrastructure US is a licensee on the EXA North and South Cable System (SCL-RWL-20251124-00078).

On January 13, 2026, pursuant to section 1.768(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.768(c), Aqua Comms (Americas) Inc. (Aqua Comms) notified the Commission that it became affiliated with foreign carriers set forth below upon the acquisition of Aqua Comms by EXA Infrastructure UK Limited. *See* SCL-T/C-20250325-00007, Actions Taken Under Submarine Cable Landing License Act, *Public Notice*, DA 25-1047 (OIA rel. Dec. 11, 2025). As a result of the transaction, Aqua Comms is now affiliated with the following foreign carriers: (1) in Denmark: EXA Infrastructure Denmark ApS; (2) in France: EXA Infrastructure France SAS, EXA Infrastructure France II SAS, EXA Infrastructure Netherlands II B.V., HGC Global Communications (UK) Limited and Trans Adriatic Express Limited (France - Branch); (3) in Ireland: EXA Infrastructure Atlantic Ireland Limited, EXA Infrastructure Express Ireland Limited and HGC Global Communications (UK) Limited; (4) in Norway: EXA Infrastructure Norge AS; (5) in the United Kingdom: EXA Infrastructure Atlantic UK Limited, EXA Infrastructure Express UK Limited, EXA Infrastructure Netherlands II B.V., EXA Infrastructure Services UK Limited and EXA Infrastructure UK Limited.

According to Aqua Comms, it should be excepted from the reporting requirements contained in section 1.767(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(l), because each of its foreign carrier affiliates holds far less than a 50% market share in either the international-transport or local access market in the relevant foreign destination country and thus lack market power. Aqua Comms is a licensee on the AEConnect-1 Cable System (SCL-LIC-20140206-00002, SCL-MOD-20210105-00001), Amitié Cable System (SCL-LIC-20200807-00036) and Havfrue Cable System (SCL-LIC-20180511-00010).

REMINDERS:

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 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001-1.2003.

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 be removed from streamlined processing and 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.