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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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On November 20, 2025, Columbus Networks Limited (d.b.a. Liberty Networks), A.Sur Net, Inc. (A.Sur Net), Cable and Wireless (Cayman Islands) Limited (C&W CI), Ufinet Costa Rica S.A. (Ufinet), and Empresa Hondureña de Telecomunicaciones Hondutel (Hondutel) (collectively, Applicants) filed an application for a new 25-year cable landing license for the MAYA-1 cable system (to be renamed the MAYA-1.2 cable system), a non-common carrier fiber optic submarine cable system that will connect the United States to Honduras and the Cayman Islands. The initial license for the MAYA-1 cable system (SCL-LIC-19990325-00006, SCL-MOD-20110928-00028) expired on October 24, 2025. On May 13, 2026, the Applicants and AT&T Enterprises, LLC (AT&T) were granted special temporary authority (STA) to continue the operation of the MAYA-1 cable system for 180 days while the Commission considers the pending application for a new cable landing license for the cable system. See SCL-STA-20260411-00057, *Section 1.767(a) Cable Landing Licenses, Modifications, and Assignments or Transfers of Control of Interests in Cable Landing Licenses (47 CFR § 1.767(a)); Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act*, Report No. SCL-00613, Public Notice, DA 26-484 (OIA May 14, 2026). The Applicants filed an amendment and supplement on April 28, 2026. See SCL-AMD-20260416-00059 in this Public Notice.

The Applicants state that the MAYA-1 cable system will be modified and known as the MAYA-1.2 cable system. According to the Applicants, the parties to the MAYA-1 cable system consortium agreements exited the MAYA-1 cable system and transferred their interest in the cable system when the license expired on October 24, 2025. The original licensees of the MAYA-1 cable system will not be licensees on the MAYA-1.2 cable system. The MAYA-1.2 cable system operates under a new Amended and Restated Construction and Maintenance Agreement among the Applicants. The Applicants also state that the MAYA-1.2 cable system will be reconfigured and will include fewer landings than the MAYA-1 cable system, because certain segments of the MAYA-1 cable system have been retired and decommissioned.

Licensing History.

In 1999, the Commission granted a cable landing license to AT&T Corp., BellSouth International, Inc., MCI WorldCom, Inc., RSL COM U.S.A., Sprint Communications Company L.P., Star Telecommunications, Inc., Teleglobe USA, Inc., Tricom USA, Inc., and WorldxChange Communications for authority to land and operate the MAYA-1 Cable Network, a common carrier submarine cable system, extending between the United States, the Cayman Islands, Colombia, Costa Rica, Honduras, Mexico, and Panama. See *AT&T Corp. et al.; Joint Application for a license to land and operate a digital submarine cable system between the United States, the Cayman Islands, Colombia, Costa Rica, Honduras, Mexico and Panama, the MAYA-1 Cable Network*, File No. SCL-LIC-19990325-00006, Cable Landing License, 14 FCC Rcd 19456 (1999). The MAYA-1 cable system commenced service on October 24, 2000. See Letter from James Talbot, Assistant Vice President-Senior Legal Counsel, AT&T Services, Inc., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC (Mar. 14, 2018) (on file in SCL-MOD-20110928-00028). In 2011, the Commission granted a modification of the cable landing license to remove Tricom USA, Inc. as a licensee. See SCL-MOD-20110928-00028, *Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act*, Public Notice, 26 FCC Rcd 15994 (IB 2011).

The MAYA-1 cable system has had several owners over the years. Recently, in 2024, the Commission granted the *pro forma* assignment of AT&T Corp.'s interest in the cable landing license to AT&T. See SCL-ASG-20231109-00035, *Section 1.767(a) Cable Landing Licenses, Modifications, and Assignments*

or Transfers of Control of Interests in Cable Landing Licenses (47 CFR § 1.767(a)); Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act, Report No. SCL-00458, Public Notice, 39 FCC Rcd 3210 (IB 2024).

Cable System Design and Capacity.

The MAYA-1.2 cable system is a modified cable system that uses the remaining segments of the MAYA-1 cable system. As part of modified cable system, the MAYA-1.2 cable system will consist of two segments (the S segment and T segment) and subsegments. The Applicants state that the following Segment S and branching units (BU) will be retained as a result of the modification:

- Segment S1: Hollywood-BU1 (including BU1);
- Segment S3: BU1-BU2 (including BU2);
- Segment S4: Honduras-BU2;
- Segment S5: BU2-BU3;
- Segment S6: Cayman Islands-BU3 (including BU3); and
- 150 kilometers in Segment S7 South of BU3 (required for the recovery of two repeaters).

Segment S includes: (1) all submarine lightguide transmission equipment including the system interface and higher level equipment, power feeding and special test equipment directly associated with the submersible plant, located in their respective cable landing stations; (2) the cable landing station power equipment; (3) the transmission cable equipped with appropriate optical amplifiers, branching units and joint housings between the cable landing stations; and (4) the sea earth cable and electrode system or the land earth system, or an appropriate share thereof, associated with the terminal power feeding equipment at the respective cable landing stations.

The Applicants state that Segment T will consist of the following subsegments: T1 (comprises the land segment at Hollywood, Florida), T2 (comprises the land segment at Puerto Cortes, Honduras), and T3 (comprises the land segment at Half Moon Bay, Cayman Islands). Segment T includes the cable landing stations and related equipment. Each subsegment of Segment T is owned by the terminal party.

The MAYA-1.2 cable system uses one interconnected collapsed ring configuration that contains two fiber pairs with two branching units connecting to the landing points in the United States, the Cayman Islands, and Honduras. The MAYA-1.2 cable system has a capacity of 4.2 Tb.

Cable Landings.

The MAYA-1.2 cable system will have landing points at the following locations: (1) Hollywood, Florida; (2) Puerto Cortes, Honduras; and (3) Half Moon Bay, Cayman Islands.

Cable System Ownership.

The Applicants will own and control the MAYA-1.2 cable system as follows: (1) Liberty Networks (24.5% equity and voting interests); (2) A.Sur Net (18.7% equity and voting interests); (3) C&W CI (4.3% equity and voting interests); (4) Ufinet (40% equity and voting interests); and (5) Hondutel (12.5% equity and voting interests).

Cable Landing Station Ownership.

The ownership and control of the cable landing stations is as follows: (1) AT&T will own and A.Sur Net will control the existing cable landing station in Hollywood, Florida; (2) Hondutel will own and control

the existing cable landing station in Puerto Cortes, Honduras; and (3) C&W CI will own and control the existing cable landing station in Half Moon Bay, Cayman Islands.

Waiver Request of 47 CFR § 1.767(h)(1).

The Applicants request a waiver of section 1.767(h)(1) of the Commission's rules so that AT&T is not required to be an applicant for a cable landing license for the MAYA-1.2 cable system. Section 1.767(h)(1) required that "[a]ny entity that owns or controls a cable landing station in the United States" shall be "applicants for, and licensees on, a cable landing license." *See Review of Submarine Cable Landing License Rules and Procedures to Assess Evolving National Security, Law Enforcement, Foreign Policy, and Trade Policy Risks*, OI Docket No. 24-523, MD Docket No. 24-524, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 40 FCC Rcd 6481 (2025) (*2025 Submarine Cable Report and Order*). The Applicants state that AT&T will not have any ability to significantly affect the cable system's operation, and including AT&T as an applicant is also not necessary to ensure compliance by the Applicants with the Cable Landing License Act, the Commission's cable landing license rules, or the terms of any cable landing license. According to the Applicants, A.Sur Net will negotiate a Landing Party Agreement with AT&T for continued use of the Hollywood, Florida cable landing station for the MAYA-1.2 cable system. The Applicants state that, under this Agreement, AT&T is expected to provide certain limited services that would not enable AT&T to significantly affect the system's operation, as all these services will be provided at A.Sur Net's direction and under A.Sur Net's supervision.

Regulatory Classification.

The MAYA-1 cable system was operated on a common carrier basis. The Applicants propose to operate the MAYA-1.2 cable system on a non-common carrier basis. The Applicants state that capacity on the MAYA-1.2 cable system will be used by Applicants and their affiliates to meet their own internal needs for bandwidth, or made available to third parties pursuant to individually-negotiated indefeasible rights of use (IRUs), the terms of which vary depending on the characteristics and needs of the particular purchase. The Applicants also state that MAYA-1.2 competes with other existing and planned submarine cable systems providing capacity in the Central and South America, including the Caribbean Express and ARCOS-1, among others. The Applicants state that there are sufficient alternative facilities providing connectivity to preclude Applicants from becoming a bottleneck facility on those routes.

Applicants' Ownership.

A.Sur Net, Liberty Networks, and C&W CI:

A.Sur Net, a Delaware corporation, is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Liberty Networks, a Barbados corporation. A.Sur Net, Liberty Networks, and C&W CI, a Cayman Islands entity, are indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Liberty Latin America Ltd. (Liberty Latin America).

A.Sur Net, Liberty Networks, and C&W CI have the following 10% or greater direct or indirect interest holders:

- (1) ARCOS-1 USA, Inc. (ARCOS-1 USA), a U.S. entity (100% equity and voting interests in A.Sur Net);
- (2) Columbus New Cayman Limited (Columbus New Cayman), a Cayman Islands entity (100% equity and voting interests in ARCOS-1 USA);
- (3) Liberty Networks (100% equity and voting interests in Columbus New Cayman);

- (4) Columbus TTNW Holdings Inc. (Columbus TTNW), a Barbados entity (100% equity and voting interests in Liberty Networks);
- (5) Columbus International Inc. (Columbus International), a Barbados entity (100% equity and voting interests in Columbus TTNW);
- (6) CWC CALA Holdings Limited (CWC CALA), a Barbados entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W CI);
- (7) Cable and Wireless (West Indies) Limited (C&W West Indies), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in CWC CALA);
- (8) CWIGroup Limited (CWIGroup), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W West Indies);
- (9) Sable Holding Limited (Sable Holding), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in Columbus International and CWIGroup);
- (10) C&W Senior Secured Parent Limited (C&W Senior Secured), a Cayman Islands entity (100% equity and voting interests in Sable Holding);
- (11) C&W Senior Finance Limited (C&W Senior Finance), a Cayman Islands entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W Senior Secured);
- (12) Cable & Wireless Limited (C&W Limited), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W Senior Finance);
- (13) Cable & Wireless Communications Limited (C&W Communications Limited), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W Limited);
- (14) LGE Coral Holdco Limited (LGE Coral), an England entity (100% equity and voting interests in C&W Communications Limited);
- (15) Liberty CWC Holdings Limited (Liberty CWC), a Barbados entity (100% equity and voting interests in LGE Coral);
- (16) LiLAC Services Ltd., a Bermuda entity (100% equity and voting interests in Liberty CWC);
- (17) Liberty Latin America, a Bermuda entity (100% equity and voting interests in LiLAC Services Ltd.). Liberty Latin America's shares are publicly traded on the Nasdaq Stock Market;
- (18) John C. Malone, a Bermuda citizen (7.4% equity interest and 27.8% voting interest in Liberty Latin America).

Ufinet:

Ufinet, a Costa Rica corporation, has the following 10% or greater direct or indirect interest holders: (1) Ufinet Latam S.L., a Spain entity (100% equity and voting interests in Ufinet); (2) Zacapa S.à.r.l., a Luxembourg entity (100% equity and voting interests in Ufinet Latam S.L.); (3) Zacapa Holdco S.à.r.l., a Luxembourg entity (100% equity and voting interests in Zacapa S.à.r.l.); (4) Zacapa Topco S.à.r.l., a Luxembourg entity (100% equity and voting interests in Zacapa Holdco S.à.r.l.); (5) Seventh Cinven Fund, a private equity fund incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg (80.5% equity and voting interests in Zacapa Topco S.à.r.l.); (6) Enel X International S.R.L., an Italy entity (19.5% equity and voting interests in Zacapa Topco S.à.r.l.); (7) Enel X S.p.A., an Italy entity (100% equity and voting interests in Enel X International S.R.L.); (8) Enel S.p.A., a publicly traded company incorporated under the laws of Italy (100% equity and voting interests in Enel X S.p.A.).

Hondutel:

Hondutel, a Honduras company, is 100% owned by the Government of Honduras.

Conditions and Requirements.

The Applicants agree to accept and abide by the routine conditions specified in section 1.767(g) of the Commission's rules. 47 CFR § 1.767(g).

Hondutel agrees to accept and abide by the reporting requirements set forth in section 1.767(l) of the Commission's rules for the U.S.-Honduras route. 47 CFR § 1.767(l).

Executive Branch Review.

Pursuant to Commission practice, the Application is being referred to the relevant Executive Branch agencies for their views on any national security, law enforcement, foreign policy or trade policy concerns related to the foreign ownership of the Applicants. *See Process Reform for Executive Branch Review of Certain FCC Applications and Petitions Involving Foreign Ownership*, IB Docket 16-155, Report and Order, 35 FCC Rcd 10927 (2020); 47 CFR § 1.40001(a)(1).

SCL-AMD-20260416-00059 S260019 Columbus Networks Limited (d.b.a. Liberty
Date filed: 2026-04-28 Networks)
Amendment

See discussion of ICFS File No. SCL-RWL-20251118-00073 in this Public Notice.

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