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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. These applications are not subject to the streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 1.767 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767.

Unless otherwise specified, interested parties may file comments with respect to these applications within 28 days of the date of this public notice. We request that such comments refer to the application file number shown below.

Unless otherwise specified, 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.

Copies of all applications listed here are available for public inspection in the FCC Reference and Information Center, located in room CY-A257 at the Portals 2 building, 445 12th Street SW, Washington DC 20554. The center can be contacted at (202) 418-0270. 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), 202-418-0432 (tty). 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.

Submarine Cable Landing License

Application filed by Columbus Networks USA, Inc. for authority to land and operate a non-common carrier fiber-optic submarine cable system, the CFX-1 Cable System, between the United States, Columbia, and Jamaica. The cable system will have landing stations in Boca Raton, Florida, Cartagena, Colombia, and Morant Bay, Jamaica, as well as a secondary landing point in Copa Club, Jamaica.

The CFX-1 cable system will consist of one segment equipped with repeaters connecting Cartagena and Boca Raton. The system will also have a branch without repeaters connecting to Morant Bay. The system will contain 2 fiber pairs in each undersea segment. Each local pair from Boca Raton to Morant Bay and from Morant Bay to Cartagena will initially be equipped with 1x10 Gbps of capacity. Each express fiber pair between Boca Raton and Cartagena will initially be equipped with 10x10 Gbps of capacity. Each fiber pair is designed to support 96x10 Gbps for a total segment capacity of 1920 Gbps.

Columbus Networks USA will own all of the wet-link segments between the United States, Colombia and Jamaica. Columbus Networks USA will also own and operate the landing station in Boca Raton, Florida. Columbus Networks de Colombia, an affiliate of Columbus Networks USA, will own and operate the landing station in Cartagena, Colombia. FibraLink Jamaica Ltd. will own and operate the landing station in Morant Bay, Jamaica, as well as the secondary landing point in Copa Club, Jamaica.

Columbus Networks USA proposes to operate the cable system on a private, non-common carrier basis. Columbus Networks USA states that there is sufficient existing or planned facilities on the route or on alternative routes to prevent it from exercising market power in offering services. It also states that capacity will not be sold indifferently to the user public, but will be assigned pursuant to individualized decisions and tailored arrangements based on the needs of the individual capacity purchaser.

Columbus Networks USA, Inc. is a wholly-owned, direct subsidiary of ARCOS-1 USA, Inc., a Delaware corporation. Columbus Networks USA and ARCOS-1 USA are wholly-owned, indirect subsidiaries of Columbus International, Inc., a Barbadian corporation, through a number of named intermediate subsidiaries all of which are organized in Barbados. The 10 percent or greater shareholders of Columbus International are: CFFI Ventures (Barbados) Inc. (47.5%), Barbados; CFFI Holdings SARL (47.5%), Luxembourg; Ironbound Holdings Capital Limited (47.5%), Canada; Ice can ab. (11.87%), Sweden; Glitnir hf. (11.87%), Iceland; Clearwater Fine Foods Incorporated (47.5%), Canada; Thornvale Holding Limited (47.5%), Canada; John Risley (47.5%), Canada; AIC (Barbados) Limited, (37.7%), Barbados; AIC Limited (37.7%), Barbados; Portland Holdings, Inc. (37.7%), Canada; and Michael Lee-Chin (37.5%), Jamaica.

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 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001–.2003.

An updated version of Section 1.767 of the rules, and other related sections, is available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/telecomrules.html>