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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 cable landing licensee; (b) the modification of a 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 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 the Commission has informed the applicant in writing that the application, upon further examination, has been 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. Filings relating to this application must be received within 14 days of this notice. Such filings will not necessarily result in an application being deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

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.

SCL-T/C-20080318-00005 P Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

FROM: Puerto Rico Telephone Authority c/o Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico

TO: PREPA Networks Corp.

Application for consent to the pro forma transfer of control of the interest in the ARCOS-1 cable system, SCL-LIC-19981222-00032, SCL-MOD-20010302-00007, held by Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico, Inc. (Ultracom) from its 100% parent, the Puerto Rico Telephone Authority (PRTA), to PREPA Networks Corp. (PREPA.Net). The ARCOS-1 cable system extends between Florida, the Bahamas, the Turks and Caicos, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Curacao, Venezuela, Colombia, Panama, Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, Belize and Mexico. Ultracom owns the cable landing station and beachhead facilities in San Juan, Puerto Rico and a 0.35% capacity interest in the ARCOS-1 cable system.

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement executed on February 28, 2008, PREPA.Net will acquire all the outstanding shares of common stock of Ultracom owned by PRTA. Ultracom will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of PREPA.Net.

PRTA is a government entity of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, created by Puerto Rico Public Law No. 25. The Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA) is a public corporation and is also a government entity of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, created by Puerto Rico Public Law No. 83. PREPA is the sole owner and shareholder of PREPA.Net, a corporation created and existing under Puerto Rico Public Law No. 144.

SCL-T/C-20080320-00004 P Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

FROM: Puerto Rico Telephone Authority c/o Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico

TO: PREPA Networks Corp.

Application for consent to the pro forma transfer of control of the interest in the Antillas 1 cable system, SCL-LIC-19950818-00001, SCL-LIC-19951013-00002 (Old File Nos. SCL-95-008, SCL-95-012), held by Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico, Inc. (Ultracom) from its 100% parent, the Puerto Rico Telephone Authority (PRTA), to PREPA Networks Corp. (PREPA.Net). The Antillas 1 Cable system extends between the Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico. Ultracom holds a 2.591814% voting interest in the Antillas I cable system.

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement executed on February 28, 2008, PREPA.Net will acquire all the outstanding shares of common stock of Ultracom owned by PRTA. Ultracom will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of PREPA.Net.

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SCL-T/C-20080325-00006 P Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico

FROM: Puerto Rico Telephone Authority c/o Government Development Bank for Puerto Rico

TO: PREPA Networks Corp.

Application for consent to the pro forma transfer of control of the interest in the Americas-1 cable system, SCL-LIC-19921110-00002 (Old File No. SCL-93-002), and the Columbus II cable system, SCL-LIC-19921110-00004 (Old File No. SCL-93-001), held by Telecomunicaciones Ultramarinas de Puerto Rico, Inc. (Ultracom) from its 100% parent, the Puerto Rico Telephone Authority (PRTA), to PREPA Networks Corp. (PREPA.Net). The Americas-1 cable system extends between Florida, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Brazil, Trinidad and Venezuela. The Columbus II cable system extends between Florida, Mexico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Spain, Italy, and Portugal. Ultracom holds a 0.12652% voting interest in the Americas-1 cable system, and a 0.09761% voting interest in the Columbus II cable system.

Pursuant to a stock purchase agreement executed on February 28, 2008, PREPA.Net will acquire all the outstanding shares of common stock of Ultracom owned by PRTA. Ultracom will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of PREPA.Net.

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SCL-T/C-20080423-00007 P Northstar License Corporation

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Northstar License Corporation

FROM: Crest Communications Corporation

TO: Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc.

Application for consent to transfer control of the Northstar Cable System, SCL-LIC-19940617-00002, SCL-LIC-19960308-00001 (Old File Nos. SCL-94-004, SCL-96-002), held by Northstar License Corporation (Northstar) from its indirect 100 percent parent corporation, Crest Communications Corporation (Crest), to Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. (ACS). The Northstar Cable System includes an undersea connection from Whittier, Alaska to Valdez, Alaska and an undersea connection from Whittier to both Lean Point, Alaska and Nedonna Beach, Oregon.

Pursuant to the terms of a Stock Purchase Agreement, ACS will purchase all of the outstanding shares of Crest. Upon consummation, Crest and Northstar will become direct and indirect, wholly-owned subsidiaries of ACS, respectively. ACS is a publicly traded company in which no individual or entity has a 10 percent or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interest.

SCL-T/C-20080507-00008 P Northern Lights Holdings, Inc.

Transfer of Control

Current Licensee: Northern Lights Holdings, Inc.

FROM: Crest Communications Corporation

TO: Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc.

Application for consent to transfer control of the Northern Lights Cable System, SCL-LIC-20020807-00066, SCL-AMD-20020808-00067, held by Northern Lights Holdings, Inc. (Northern Lights) from its direct 100 percent parent corporation, Crest Communications Corporation (Crest), to Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. (ACS). The Northern Lights Cable System, which is unbuilt, consists of two branching units in the northern segment of the TGN-Pacific Cable System, owned and operated by Tata Communications (US) Inc. (formerly known as VSNL International (US) Inc.), extending to landing stations at Shemya, Alaska (western branching unit) and Seward and Kodiak, Alaska (eastern branching unit).

Pursuant to the terms of a Stock Purchase Agreement, ACS will purchase all of the outstanding shares of Crest. Upon consummation, Crest and Northern Lights will become direct and indirect, wholly-owned subsidiaries of ACS, respectively. ACS is a publicly traded company in which no individual or entity has a 10 percent or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interest.

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.

The Commission's rules applicable to submarine cable landing licenses (47 C.F.R. §§ 1.767, 1.768) are available at <http://www.fcc.gov/ib/td/pf/telecomrules.html>. See also http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edoc_public/attachmatch/DA-02-5981A1.pdf for a March 13, 2002 Public Notice; http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-01-332A1.pdf for the December 14, 2001 Report and Order.

By this notice, we inform the public that submarine cable landing license applications and international section 214 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 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, these extraordinary circumstances may result where Executive Branch agencies petition the Commission to defer decision on certain transactions 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 cable landing licenses and international section 214 applications. 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.