

## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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## VIA E-MAIL

Cristina C. Chou Vice President, Regulatory Affairs Altice USA, Inc. 1800 M Street, NW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20037 cristina.chou@alticeusa.com

Re:

Applications of T-Mobile US, Inc. and United States Cellular Corporation for Consent to the Transfer of Control and Assignment of Certain Spectrum Licenses, Authorizations, and Spectrum Leases (GN Docket No. 24-286); Request for Information and Documents from Altice USA, Inc.

## Dear Ms. Chou:

T-Mobile US, Inc. (T-Mobile) and United States Cellular Corporation (UScellular) have filed applications pursuant to sections 214 and 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the Act), seeking Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) consent to the transfer of control and assignment of certain spectrum licenses, an international section 214 authorization, and spectrum leases held by UScellular and its subsidiaries to T-Mobile. On September 11, 2024, a public notice was released that announced the opening of a docket and *ex parte* status of discussions related to the proposed transaction. On October 30, 2024, the Commission accepted the applications for filing and established a pleading cycle for the proposed transaction. For the Commission to complete its review of the applications and make the necessary public interest findings under sections 214 and 310(d) of the Act, we require information and documents from Altice USA, Inc. If necessary, we will follow up with additional requests for information and/or data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. §§ 214, 310(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Applications of T-Mobile US, Inc. and United States Cellular Corporation for Transfer of Control and Assignment of Certain Licenses, Authorizations, and Leases, GN Docket No. 24-286, ULS File No. 0011180491 (Lead Section 310(d) Application) (filed Sept. 13, 2024); Application of T-Mobile US, Inc. and United States Cellular Corporation for Assignment of International Section 214 Authorization, ICFS File No. ITC-ASG-20240913-00139 (filed Sept. 13, 2024). In addition, as part of the proposed transaction, the parties have filed a series of short-term spectrum manager leases for a period not to exceed one year after the closing of this transaction. *T-Mobile and UScellular Seek FCC Consent to the Proposed Transfer of Control and Assignment of Certain Spectrum Licenses, Authorizations, and Spectrum Leases held by UScellular to T-Mobile,* GN Docket No. 24-286, Public Notice, DA 24-1115 (WTB Oct. 30, 2024) (Comment Public Notice).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Federal Communications Commission Opens Docket for Proposed Transfer of Wireless Operations, Customers, and Certain Spectrum Licenses and Spectrum Leases of UScellular to T-Mobile, GN Docket No. 24-286, Public Notice, DA 24-925 (WTB Sept. 11, 2024).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Comment Public Notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 47 U.S.C. §§ 214, 310(d).

Accordingly, pursuant to section 308(b) of the Act,<sup>6</sup> we request that Altice USA, Inc. provide written responses and supporting documentation, as appropriate, for each request set forth in the attached General Information and Document Request. Each response or document should clearly indicate the specific question or request to which it responds, and each page should be marked with a corporate identification and consecutive document control numbers as specified in the attached instructions. We would appreciate receiving Altice USA, Inc.'s response to each inquiry no later than May 13, 2025.

Your responses should be filed with Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, in GN Docket No. 24-286. The Secretary's Office should receive one copy. The *Protective Order* provides instructions for submitting filings that contain Confidential and Highly Confidential information.<sup>7</sup>

For any electronic filings made using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), parties also should serve the documents via e-mail to: (1) Susannah Larson, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, <a href="mailto:susannah.larson@fcc.gov">susannah.larson@fcc.gov</a>; (2) Nick Copeland, Economic Analysis Division, Office of Economics and Analytics, <a href="mailto:nicholas.copeland@fcc.gov">nicholas.copeland@fcc.gov</a>; (3) Stacy Ferraro, Competition & Infrastructure Policy Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, <a href="mailto:stacy.ferraro@fcc.gov">stacy.ferraro@fcc.gov</a>; (4) Stephanie Asous, Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, <a href="mailto:stephanie.asous@fcc.gov">stephanie.asous@fcc.gov</a>; (5) Nadja Sodos-Wallace, Broadband Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, <a href="mailto:nadja.sodoswallace@fcc.gov">nadja.sodoswallace@fcc.gov</a>; and (6) Joel Rabinovitz, Office of General Counsel, <a href="mailto:joel.rabinovitz@fcc.gov">joel.rabinovitz@fcc.gov</a>; Any submission emailed to these individuals should include in the subject line of the email: (1) GN Docket No. 24-286; (2) the name of the submitting party; and (3) a brief description or title identifying the type of document being submitted (e.g., GN Docket No. 24-286, Altice USA, Inc., Response to Information and Document Request). Please coordinate with Commission staff to discuss an acceptable format for submission of the requested information and documents, as indicated in the Instructions attached to the General Information and Document Request.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Susannah Larson, at susannah.larson@fcc.gov or Nick Copeland, at nicholas.copeland@fcc.gov.

Sincerely,

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Acting Chief
Office of Economics and Analytics

Attachment

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 308(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Applications of T-Mobile US, Inc. and United States Cellular Corporation for Consent to Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations, GN Docket No. 24-286, Protective Order, DA 24-928 (WTB Sept. 11, 2024).