



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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## International Authorizations Granted

### Section 214 Applications (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.18, 63.24); Section 310(b) Petitions (47 C.F.R. § 1.5000)

The following applications have been granted pursuant to the Commission's streamlined processing procedures set forth in Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12, other provisions of the Commission's rules, or procedures set forth in an earlier public notice listing applications accepted for filing.

Unless otherwise noted, these grants authorize the applicants (1) to become a facilities-based international common carrier subject to 47 C.F.R. § 63.22; and/or (2) to become a resale-based international common carrier subject to 47 C.F.R. § 63.23; or (3) to exceed the foreign ownership benchmark applicable to common carrier radio licensees under 47 U.S.C. § 310(b).

THIS PUBLIC NOTICE SERVES AS EACH NEWLY AUTHORIZED CARRIER'S SECTION 214 CERTIFICATE. It contains general and specific conditions, which are set forth below. Newly authorized carriers should carefully review the terms and conditions of their authorizations. Failure to comply with general or specific conditions of an authorization, or with other relevant Commission rules and policies, could result in fines and forfeitures.

Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules in regard to the grant of any of these applications may be filed within thirty days of this public notice (see 47 CFR § 1.4(b)(2)).

For additional information, please contact the FCC Reference and Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270.

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**ITC-214-20180713-00147** E Hearsay Social, Inc.  
International Telecommunications Certificate  
**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service  
Grant of Authority Date of Action: 08/24/2018

Application for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2).

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**ITC-214-20180726-00149** E Texhoma Fiber, LLC  
International Telecommunications Certificate  
**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service  
Grant of Authority Date of Action: 08/24/2018

Application for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2).

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**ITC-214-20180726-00150** E Southern Plains Cable, LLC  
International Telecommunications Certificate  
**Service(s):** Global or Limited Global Resale Service  
Grant of Authority Date of Action: 08/24/2018

Application for authority to provide resale service in accordance with section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2).

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**ITC-T/C-20180703-00142** E

Great Plains Communications Long Distance

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 08/24/2018

**Current Licensee:** Great Plains Communications Long Distance

**FROM:** GPC, Inc.

**TO:** Great Plains Communications Holdings LLC

Applications filed for consent to the transfer of Great Plains Communications Long Distance (GPC LD), which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20010810-00409, from its direct parent, GPC, Inc. (GPC), to Great Plains Communications Holdings LLC (GPC Holdings). Pursuant to a June 18 2018 purchase agreement, GPC Holdings will acquire all of the stock of GP Communications, and thereby acquire control of GP Communications and its subsidiary GPC LD.

GPC Holdings is a Delaware limited liability company. Grain Communications Opportunity Fund II, L.P. (GCO Fund II), a Delaware limited partnership, holds 100% direct ownership interest in GPC Holdings. The limited partnership interests in GCO Fund II are fully insulated and held by passive financial investors, of which the following two limited partners hold ten percent or great equity interest in GCO Fund II: Board of Regents of The University of Texas System, a Texas University endowment (73.34% direct economic interests based on capital commitments) and Texas Emerging Managers Private Markets Program, L.P. (Texas Emerging Markets), a Delaware limited partnership (14.67% direct economic interests based on capital commitments).

Grain GP IV, LLC (Grain GPC IV), a Delaware limited liability company is the sole general partner of GCO Fund II. Grain GPC IV holds less than 10% equity in and exercises control of GCO Fund II. Grain Capital II, LLC (Grain Capital II), a Delaware limited liability company is the sole member of Grain GPC IV. Grain Capital LLC (Grain Capital), a Florida limited liability company, is the sole member of Grain Capital II and is 99% owned by David Grain, a U.S. citizen.

The sole limited partner interest in Texas Emerging Markets is held by a Texas pension fund Teacher Retirement System of Texas (TRS) (99.6% of the economic interests), and the sole general partner of Texas Emerging Markets is GCM CFGP GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company that is ultimately controlled by Michael Jay Sacks, a U.S. citizen.

No other entity or individual, will hold ten percent or greater direct or indirect ownership interests in GPC Holdings or GPC LD upon closing.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

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**ITC-T/C-20180712-00144** E

Matrix Telecom, LLC

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 08/24/2018

**Current Licensee:** Matrix Telecom, LLC

**FROM:** TNCI Impact LLC

**TO:** Lingo Communications, LLC

Application filed for consent to the transfer of control of Matrix Telecom, LLC (Matrix), which holds international section 214 authorizations ITC-214-19900713-00004, ITC-214-19930330-00053, ITC-214-19940830-00266, ITC-214-19970415-00212, ITC-214-19980507-00300, ITC-214-19980915-00644, from TNCI Impact LLC (TNCI) to Lingo Communications, LLC (Lingo). Matrix is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Impact Acquisition, LLC (Impact Acquisition), which is a direct wholly owned subsidiary of TNCI. Pursuant to a July 3, 2018 Securities Purchase Agreement dated July 3, 2018, Lingo will acquire all issued and outstanding membership interests of Impact Acquisition. Lingo Management LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Lingo, will hold Impact Acquisition and its subsidiaries, including Matrix and Matrix Telecom of Virginia, LLC.

Lingo, a Georgia limited liability company, is a wholly owned direct subsidiary of GG Telecom Investors, LLC (GG Telecom). The following two individuals, both U.S. citizens, hold ten percent or greater direct or indirect equity and voting interests in Matrix by virtue of their ownership of their membership interests in GG Telecom: Holcombe T. Green, Jr. (100% indirectly in Matrix as owner of 66.5% of the membership interest of GG Telecom) and R. Kirby Godsey (33.5% indirectly in Matrix as owner of 33.5% of the membership interest of GG Telecom).

Matrix Telecom of Virginia, LLC provides international service under authority of the international section 214 authorizations held by Matrix pursuant to section 63.21(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 63.21(h).

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

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Transfer of Control  
Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 08/24/2018

**Current Licensee:** GreatCall, Inc.

**FROM:** GreatCall, Inc.

**TO:** GC Buyer, Inc.

Application filed for consent to the transfer of control of GreatCall, Inc. (GreatCall), which holds international section 214 authorization ITC-214-20130307-00069, to GC Buyer, Inc. (GC Buyer). On July 14, 2017, without prior Commission consent, GC Buyer acquired 100% of the outstanding stock of GreatCall from its prior owners. Consequently, GreatCall became a wholly owned subsidiary of GC Buyer.

GC Holding Company, LLC (GC Holding), a Delaware limited liability company, holds 100% equity interest in GC Buyer. The following officers and directors of GC Buyer, all U.S. citizens, have day-to-day control of GC Buyer, a Delaware corporation: David Donnini (Board Director); Constantine Mihas (Board Director); Lawrence Fey (Board Director); Thomas Ehrhart (Board Director); David Inns (Board Director, President and CEO); Brian Berning (Board Director, Vice-President and Treasurer); and Lynn Herrick (Vice-President and Secretary).

The following U.S. entities hold ten percent or greater direct equity and voting interests in GC Holding: U.S. GTCR Fund XI/A LP, a Delaware limited partnership (64.25%); GTCR Fund XI/C LP, a Delaware limited partnership (16.19%); and other investors (collectively 19.05%). The Washington State Investment Fund, created for investment of funds by Washington State employees, holds an 11.12% direct interest in GTCR Fund XI/A LP and corresponding indirect interests in GC Buyer and in GreatCall.

GTCR Fund XI/A LP and GTCR Fund XI/C LP each are controlled by the same general partner entity, GTCR Partners XI/A&C LP, a Delaware limited partnership. GTCR Partners XI/A&C LP's ownership interest is approximately 80.44 percent (indirectly in GC Holding Company, LLC as the general partner of (i) Fund XI/A and (ii) Fund XI/C). GTCR Partners XI/A&C LP is controlled by its general partner, GTCR Investment XI LLC, a Delaware limited liability company. GTCR Investment XI LLC's ownership interest is approximately 80.95 percent (indirectly in GC Holding Company LLC as the general partner of (i) GTCR Partners XI/A&C LP and (ii) GTCR Co-Invest XI LP (which has an approximately 0.51% direct interest in GC Holding Company LLC)). GTCR Investment XI LLC is managed by a board comprised of the following: Mark M. Anderson, Craig A. Bondy, Philip A. Canfield, Aaron D. Cohen, Sean L. Cunningham, Benjamin J. Daverman, David A. Donnini, Lawrence C. Fey IV, Constantine S. Mihas, and Collin E. Roche. Applicants state that no other individual or entity holds a ten percent or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interests in GC Holdings or GreatCall.

Applicants filed a request for Special Temporary Authority (STA) related to this transaction, ITC-STA-20180718-00146, which was granted on August 6, 2018.

This authorization is without prejudice to the Commission's action in any other related pending proceedings.

**INFORMATIVE**

**ITC-214-20020327-00146**

BCM One, Inc.

On August 17, 2018, the Commission was notified that McGraw Communications, Inc. has changed its name to BCM One, Inc.

**SURRENDER**

**ITC-214-19970212-00083**

Cellular South, Inc.

Applicant notified the Commission of the Surrender of its international section 214 authorization effective August 20, 2018.

**ITC-214-19970212-00084**

Cellular South, Inc.

Applicant notified the Commission of the Surrender of its international section 214 authorization effective August 20, 2018.

**ITC-214-20080618-00274**

Premier Communications

Applicant notified the Commission of the Surrender of its international section 214 authorization effective August 22, 2018.

**ITC-214-20140530-00165**

Digium Cloud Services LLC

Applicant notified the Commission of the Surrender of its international section 214 authorization effective August 22, 2018.

**ITC-214-20140619-00186**

Latitude Telecom, LLC

Applicant notified the Commission of the Surrender of its international section 214 authorization effective August 14, 2018.

## CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO INTERNATIONAL SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS

- (1) These authorizations are subject to the Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations, which identifies restrictions on providing service to particular countries or using particular facilities. The most recent Exclusion List is at the end of this Public Notice. The list applies to all U.S. international carriers, including those that have previously received global or limited global Section 214 authority, whether by Public Notice or specific written order. Carriers are advised that the attached Exclusion List is subject to amendment at any time pursuant to the procedures set forth in Streamlining the International Section 214 Authorization Process and Tariff Requirements, IB Docket No. 95-118, 11 FCC Rcd 12884 (1996), para. 18. A copy of the current Exclusion List will be maintained in the FCC Reference and Information Center and will be available at <http://transition.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/exclusionlist.html>. It also will be attached to each Public Notice that grants international Section 214 authority.
- (2) The export of telecommunications services and related payments to countries that are subject to economic sanctions may be restricted. For information concerning current restrictions, call the Office of Foreign Assets Control, U.S. Department of the Treasury, (202) 622-2520.
- (3) Carriers shall comply with the requirements of Section 63.11 of the Commission's rules, which requires notification by, and in certain circumstances prior notification by, U.S. carriers acquiring an affiliation with foreign carriers. A carrier that acquires an affiliation with a foreign carrier will be subject to possible reclassification as a dominant carrier on an affiliated route pursuant to the provisions of Section 63.10 of the rules.
- (4) A carrier may provide switched services over its authorized resold private lines in the circumstances specified in Section 63.23(d) of the rules, 47 C.F. R. § 63.23(d).
- (5) Carriers shall comply with the "No Special Concessions" rule, Section 63.14, 47 C.F.R. § 63.14.
- (6) Carriers regulated as dominant for the provision of a particular communications service on a particular route for any reason other than a foreign carrier affiliation under Section 63.10 of the rules shall file tariffs pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 203, and Part 61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 61. Carriers shall not otherwise file tariffs except as permitted by Section 61.19 of the rules, 47 C.F.R. § 61.19. Except as specified in Section 20.15 with respect to commercial mobile radio service providers, carriers regulated as non-dominant, as defined in Section 61.3, and providing detariffed international services pursuant to Section 61.19, must comply with all applicable public disclosure and maintenance of information requirements in Sections 42.10 and 42.11.
- (7) Carriers shall file annual circuit capacity reports required by Section 43.82. See <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/circuit-capacity-report>.
- (8) Carriers should consult Section 63.19 of the rules when contemplating a discontinuance, reduction or impairment of service.
- (9) If any carrier is reselling service obtained pursuant to a contract with another carrier, the services obtained by contract shall be made generally available by the underlying carrier to similarly situated customers at the same terms, conditions and rates. 47 U.S.C. § 203.
- (10) To the extent the applicant is, or is affiliated with, an incumbent independent local exchange carrier, as those terms are defined in Section 64.1902 of the rules, it shall provide the authorized services in compliance with the requirements of Section 64.1903.
- (11) Except as otherwise ordered by the Commission, a carrier authorized here to provide facilities-based service that (i) is classified as dominant under Section 63.10 of the rules for the provision of such service on a particular route and (ii) is affiliated with a carrier that collects settlement payments for terminating U.S. international switched traffic at the foreign end of that route may not provide facilities-based switched service on that route unless the current rates the affiliate charges U.S. international carriers to terminate traffic are at or below the Commission's relevant benchmark adopted in International Settlement Rates, IB Docket No. 96-261, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 19806 (1997). See also Report and Order on Reconsideration and Order Lifting Stay in IB Docket No. 96-261, FCC 99-124 (rel. June 11, 1999). For the purposes of this rule, "affiliated" and "foreign carrier" are defined in Section 63.09.
- (12) Carriers shall comply with the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act (CALEA), see 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.20000 et seq.

(13) Every carrier must designate an agent for service in the District of Columbia. See 47 U.S.C. § 413, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.47(h), 64.1195.

#### Exclusion List for International Section 214 Authorizations

The following is a list of countries and facilities not covered by grant of global Section 214 authority under Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1). Carriers desiring to serve countries or use facilities listed as excluded hereon shall file a separate Section 214 application pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(3) of the Commission's Rules. See 47 C.F.R. § 63.22(c).

Countries:

None.

Facilities:

Any non-U.S.-licensed space station that has not received Commission approval to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the procedures adopted in the Commission's DISCO II Order, IB Docket No. 96-111, Report and Order, FCC 97-399, 12 FCC Rcd 24094, 24107-72 paragraphs 30-182 (1997) (DISCO II Order). Information regarding non-U.S.-licensed space stations approved to operate in the U.S. market pursuant to the Commission's DISCO II procedures is maintained at [http://transition.fcc.gov/bureaus/ib/sd/se/market\\_access.html](http://transition.fcc.gov/bureaus/ib/sd/se/market_access.html).

This list is subject to change by the Commission when the public interest requires. The most current version of the list is maintained at <http://transition.fcc.gov/ib/pd/pf/exclusionlist.html>.

For additional information, contact the International Bureau's Telecommunications and Analysis Division, (202) 418-1480.