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Streamlined International Applications Accepted For Filing

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

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures apply to the applications listed below:

The international Section 214 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 63.12 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12. These applications are for authority under Section 214 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), to transfer control of an authorized carrier or to assign a carrier's existing authorization; and/or (b) to become a facilities-based international common carrier; and/or (c) to become a resale-based international common carrier.

Pursuant to Section 63.12 of the rules, these Section 214 applications will be granted 14 days after the date of this public notice (see 47 C.F.R. § 1.4 regarding computation of time), and the applicant may commence operations on the 15th day, unless the Commission has informed the applicant in writing, within 14 days after the date of this public notice, that the application, on further examination, has been deemed ineligible for streamlined processing. 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.

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. An application can be removed from streamlined processing only in the sound discretion of Commission staff. The filing of comments or a petition to deny will not necessarily result in an application being deemed ineligible for streamlined processing.

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We request that comments on any of these applications refer to the application file number shown below.

Assignment

Current Licensee: Talk America Services, LLC**FROM:** Talk America Services, LLC**TO:** Windstream Services LLC, Debtor-In- Possession

Application filed for consent to the assignment of defined customer base from Talk America Services, LLC (Talk America) to Windstream Services, LLC, Debtor-In- Possession (Windstream DIP). The customers that are the subject of this transactions were previous customers of Windstream subsidiaries who were transferred to Talk America pursuant to a wholesale resale agreement between Windstream and Talk America in 2015. Due to the impending expiration of the wholesale agreement after April 24, 2020, Talk America will be exiting the market and will no longer be able to provide services to these customers. The parties propose that the vast majority of the customers being assigned who were previous customers of Windstream, be assigned back to Windstream which is agreeing to take over servicing these customers. Specifically, the parties propose the assignment of approximately 70 residential customers in Pennsylvania and 1,108 customers in North Carolina. The Pennsylvania customer base is being transferred back to Windstream D&E Systems, Inc., and the North Carolina customers transferred to Windstream Communications, LLC and Windstream NuVox, LLC. Windstream D&E Systems, Windstream Communications, LLC and Windstream NuVox, LLC are all wholly owned subsidiaries of Windstream DIP and will provide international services to their new customers pursuant to the existing international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-19980925-00658, held by Windstream DIP. Talk America will retain its international section 214 authorization, ITC-214-20141022-00280.

Windstream DIP a Delaware limited liability company, is a wholly owned direct subsidiary of Windstream Holdings, Inc. (Windstream Holdings), a publicly traded Delaware corporation. No individual or entity holds 10% or greater direct or indirect equity or voting interest in Windstream Holdings. The Windstream parties/assignees are currently operating as Debtors-in-Possession. On February 25, 2019, each of the Windstream parties filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code. (Case No. 19-22312) in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.

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 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001-.2003.