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Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act

Section 1.767(a) Cable Landing Licenses, Modifications, and Assignments or Transfers of Control of Interests in Cable Landing Licenses (47 C.F.R. § 1.767(a))

By the Chief, Telecommunications and Analysis Division, International Bureau:

Pursuant to An Act Relating to the Landing and Operation of Submarine Cables in the United States, 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39 (Cable Landing License Act), Executive Order No. 10530, Exec. Ord. No. 10530 reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. § 301, and section 1.767 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767, the following applications ARE GRANTED. These grants of authority are taken under section 0.261 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261. Petitions for reconsideration under section 1.106 or applications for review under section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of this public notice.

These applications have been coordinated with the Department of State and other Executive Branch agencies pursuant to section 1.767(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.767(b), and consistent with procedures established with the Department of State. See Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 22167, 22192-93, paras. 51-52 (2001) (Submarine Cable Landing License Report and Order); Streamlined Procedures for Executive Branch Review of Submarine Cable Landing License Requests, State Department Media Note (Revised) (rel. Dec. 20, 2001) available at <http://2001-2009.state.gov/r/pa/prs/ps/2001/6951.htm>.

This public notice serves as each cable landing licensee's Cable Landing License, or modification thereto, pursuant to the Cable Landing License Act and sections 1.767 and 1.768 of the Commission's rules. Cable landing licensees should review carefully the terms and conditions of their licenses. Failure to comply with these terms and conditions or relevant Commission rules and policies could result in fines or forfeitures.

SCL-ASG-20200601-00023 E

MCI International, LLC

Assignment

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 06/23/2020

Current Licensee: MCI International, Inc.

FROM: MCI International, Inc.

TO: MCI International, LLC

Application filed for consent to the pro forma assignment of MCI International, Inc.'s (MCII) interest's in certain submarine cable systems to MCI International, LLC. The assignment will result from an internal restructuring scheduled to occur on or about June 30, 2020. Applicants filed an amendment on June 17, 2020, to correct the list of cable licenses affected by this pro forma assignment and the interests of MCII in one of the cables. The cable licenses affected by this pro forma assignment include: (1) Antillas I, SCL-LIC-19951013-00002, (2) Americas I, SCL-LIC-19921110-200002, (3) Americas II, SCL-LIC-19980429-00019, SCL-MOD-20191202-00038, (4) Bahamas II, SCL-LIC-19960329-00128, SCL-MOD-19980303-00004, (5) TAT-14, SCL-LIC-19990303-00004, SCL-MOD-20040301-00011, (6) Columbus III, SCL-LIC-19980527-00007, SCL-MOD-20040304-00012, (7) Taino-Carib, SCL-LIC-19920107-00005, and (8) Pan American, SCL-LIC-19970421-00002, SCL-MOD-20110928-00028. This transaction does not affect the interests held by other licensees in these cable systems.

MCII is wholly owned by Verizon Business Network Services Inc., which is wholly owned by MCI Communications Corporation, which is wholly owned by Verizon Business Global LLC, which is wholly owned by Verizon Communications Inc. (Verizon). According to the applicants, Verizon is planning to implement an internal restructuring plan that includes the elimination of multiple companies in the Verizon ownership chain, as well as the conversion of certain companies from corporations to limited liability companies. As part of this restructuring, (1) MCI International will be converted from a corporation to a limited liability company; (2) MCI Communications Corporation will be merged into Verizon Business Global LLC; and (3) Verizon Business Network Services will be converted from a corporation into a limited liability company. MCI International, LLC will continue to be an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Verizon.

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America Europe Connect 2 USA, Inc.

Transfer of Control

Grant of Authority

Date of Action: 06/23/2020

Current Licensee: America Europe Connect 2 USA, Inc.

FROM: Aqua Ventures International FZE

TO: Aqua Ventures Limited

Notification filed April 30, 2020, of the pro forma transfer of control of America Europe Connect 2 USA Inc. (AEC-2 USA), which is a licensee on the Havfrue cable, SCL-LIC-20180511-00010, from Aqua Ventures International FZE (AVI), to Aqua Ventures Limited (Aqua Ventures), effective March 27, 2020. The Havfrue cable connects the United States, Denmark, Ireland and Norway. This transaction does not affect the interests held by other licensees in the Havfrue cable.

AEC-2 USA, a Delaware corporation, is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Aqua Comms Designated Activity Company (Aqua Comms DAC), an Irish company. Pursuant to a share transfer agreement between AVI and Aqua Ventures dated March 27, 2020, AVI, a United Arab Emirates intermediate holding company, agreed to transfer its shareholding in Aqua Comms DAC to Aqua Ventures, a Jersey intermediate holding company. As a result of the transaction, the 2013 Bake Family Trust (the Bake Trust) now holds its interest in Aqua Comms DAC through Aqua Ventures, rather than AVI. AEC-2 USA continues to be ultimately owned and controlled by the Bake Trust, a Jersey company whose economic settlor is Mr. Christopher Paul Bake, a Netherlands citizen.

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FROM: Aqua Ventures International FZE

TO: Aqua Ventures Limited

Notification filed April 30, 2020, of the pro forma transfer of control of America Europe Connect 2 Limited (AEC-2), which is a licensee on the Havfrue cable, SCL-LIC-20180511-00010, from Aqua Ventures International FZE (AVI), to Aqua Ventures Limited (Aqua Ventures), effective March 27, 2020. The Havfrue cable connects the United States, Denmark, Ireland and Norway. This transaction does not affect the interests held by other licensees in the Havfrue cable.

AEC-2, and Irish limited company, is an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of Aqua Comms Designated Activity Company (Aqua Comms DAC), an Irish company. Pursuant to a share transfer agreement between AVI and Aqua Ventures dated March 27, 2020, AVI, a United Arab Emirates intermediate holding company, agreed to transfer its shareholding in Aqua Comms DAC to Aqua Ventures, a Jersey intermediate holding company. As a result of the transaction, the 2013 Bake Family Trust (the Bake Trust) now holds its interest in Aqua Comms DAC through Aqua Ventures, rather than AVI. AEC-2 continues to be ultimately owned and controlled by the Bake Trust, a Jersey company whose economic settlor is Mr. Christopher Paul Bake, a Netherlands citizen.