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DOMESTIC SECTION 214 APPLICATION GRANTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF TELEGUAM HOLDINGS, LLC TO FORAGER HOLDINGS CORP.

WC Docket No. 17-46

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) grants the application filed by TeleGuam Holdings, LLC (TeleGuam), AP TeleGuam Holdings, Inc. (AP TG), and Forager Holdings Corp. (Forager) (together, Applicants), pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 63.03 and 63.04 of the Commission's rules, requesting consent to transfer control of TeleGuam to Forager.[1]

On February 28, 2017, the Bureau released a Public Notice requesting comment on the Application.[2] On May 11, 2017, the Department of Homeland Security, with the concurrence of the U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Department of Defense (collectively, the Executive Branch Agencies), filed a letter requesting that the Commission defer action on this proceeding while they completed their review of any national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues.[3] We deferred action in response to the Executive Branch Agencies' request. On June 22, 2017, the Executive Branch Agencies notified the Bureau that they withdraw their request to defer action and stated that they have no objection to the Application.[4]

The Bureau finds, upon consideration of the record, that grant of the Application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.[5] Pursuant to Section 1.103 of the Commission's rules, 47

[1] *See* 47 U.S.C. § 214; 47 CFR §§ 63.03-04. *Joint Application of TeleGuam Holdings, LLC, Licensee, AP TeleGuam Holdings, Inc., Transferor, and Forager Holdings Corp., Transferee, for Grant of Authority to Complete a Transfer of Control of the Licensee Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended, and Sections 63.04 and 63.24 of the Commission's Rules*, WC Docket No. 17-46 (filed Feb. 9, 2017) (Application). On February 23, 2017, Applicants filed a supplement to the Application. Letter from James H. Baker, Counsel to Forager Holdings Corp., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC (Feb. 23, 2017). TeleGuam is an incumbent local exchange carrier providing long distance, video, Internet access, and wireless services in Guam. Forager is a U.S. holding company that wholly owns Forager Acquisition Corp., an entity formed to effectuate the proposed transaction.

[2] *Applications Filed for the Transfer of Control of Teleguam Holdings, LLC to Forager Holdings Corp.*, WC Docket No. 17-46, Public Notice, DA 17-201 (WCB Feb. 28, 2017).

[3] Letter from Janine Slade, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 17-46 (filed May 11, 2017).

[4] Letter from Janine Slade, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 17-46 (filed Jun. 22, 2017).

[5] 47 CFR § 63.03.

CFR § 1.103, the grant is effective upon release of this Public Notice. Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of this Public Notice.

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