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Attn: Susan O'Connell

Re: China and Between the U.S. and Russia Operate As a Facilities-Based and Resale Carrier Between the U.S. and Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended, to Application of Cable & Wireless Global Markets, Inc. for Authority

Dear Sir or Madam:

filing and a return envelope. Please date-stamp the duplicate upon receipt and return it in the original and five (5) copies of its above-captioned application. Enclosed is a duplicate of this envelope provided. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$780.00 for the filing fee. Cable & Wireless Global Markets, Inc., by its attorneys, hereby submits for filing an

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Its Attorney loan M. Griffin

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## Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of )	
CABLE & WIRELESS GLOBAL ) MARKETS, INC. )	
Application for Authority Under ) Section 214 of the Communications ) Act of 1934, as Amended, to Operate	File No. ITC-
Carrier Between the U.S. and China ) and Between the U.S. and )	
Russia )	

#### APPLICATION

authority to serve Russia and China in this Application. hereby requests authority to operate as a facilities-based and resale carrier. CWGM seeks ("the Act") and Section 63.18(e)(6) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(6), attorneys and pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended Cable & Wireless Global Markets, Inc. ("CWGM" or "Applicant"), by its

the Commission found that these affiliates either possess insufficient market power to to Russia to another Cable & Wireless company, Cable & Wireless, Inc. ("C&WUSA"), region of Russia, and Nakhodka Telekom ("NT"), which operates in the Nakhodka and Vladivostok regions. In granting facilities-based and resale authority to provide service ("ST") and Sakhalin Svjaz ("SS"), which operate exclusively in the Sakhalin Island In Russia, CWGM is affiliated with three foreign carriers -- Sakhalin Telekom

affiliates and thus the same conclusions are warranted here CWGM and C&WUSA are similarly situated vis-à-vis the Cable & Wireless Russian apply the effective competitive opportunities ("ECO") test under these circumstances. discriminate against unaffiliated carriers, or that it would not serve the public interest to

providing any other service.3 in this Application affiliated U.S. carriers regulated as dominant on the route), and (2) dominant, if it is services through the resale of other U.S.-authorized carriers' switched services (except C&WUSA would be classified as (1) non-dominant, if it is providing only switched classified as a non-dominant carrier in its provision of service to all regions of Russia except the Sakhalin Island region.<sup>2</sup> In the C&WUSA Russia Order, the Commission held that C&WUSA would be CWGM requests and accepts the same regulatory treatment With respect to the Sakhalin Island region

not affiliated within the meaning of Section 63.18(h)(1)(i)(B) with Shenda or any other provide service to China. In that Order, the Commission recognized that C&WUSA is Commission recently granted facilities-based and resale authority to C&WUSA to the Commission's Rules with the Shenda Telephone Company ("Shenda"). The In China, CWGM is affiliated within the meaning of Section 63.18(h)(1)(i)(A) of

See Cable & Wireless, Inc., Order, Authorization and Certification, DA 98-628, rel. Apr. 2, 1998 at ¶¶ 10, 12-13 ("C&WUSA Russia Order"). The Cable and Wireless affiliates in St. Petersburg that were discussed in the C&WUSA Russia Order (i.e., Peterstar and Beeltic Communications Ltd.) have since been sold. See Cable & Wireless, Inc., Notification of Foreign Affiliation, File No. FCN-NEW-19980904-00028, filed Sept. 4, 1998.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> C&WUSA Russia Order at ¶ 15.

w Id. at ¶¶ 15-16; see Cable & Wireless, Inc., Order, Authorization and Certificate, DA 98-1887, rel. Sept. 18, 1998, at ¶ 27, n. 64.

<sup>4</sup> Cable & Wireless, Inc., Order, Authorization Dec. 8, 1998 (the "C&WUSA China Order"). Authorization and Certificate, DA 98-2498, rel

is providing only switched services through the resale of other U.S.-authorized carriers' same regulatory treatment in this Application. switched services (except affiliated U.S. carriers regulated as dominant on the route), and (2) dominant, if it is providing any other services.<sup>6</sup> thus the same conclusions are warranted here. service on this route.5 Commission held that C&WUSA would be classified as (1) a non-dominant carrier, if it carrier in China and thus that the ECO that does not apply to C&WUSA's provision of CWGM and C&WUSA are similarly situated vis-à-vis Shenda and In the C&WUSA China Order, the CWGM requests and accepts the

to China9 benchmark settlement rate condition on C&WUSA's provision of facilities-based service that the condition is found to be unlawful. The Commission did not impose the the routes are within benchmark. 8 CWGM accepts this condition, except to the extent based service on these routes until the settlement rates of CWGM's foreign affiliates on Benchmark Settlement Rates Order and thus that it will be unable to provide facilitieswill be subject to the benchmark settlement rate condition adopted in the Commission's affiliated markets in Russia (i.e., the Sakhalin Island region, Nakhodka, and Vladivostok) CWGM recognizes that its authorization to provide facilities-based service to and thus there are no grounds for applying it to CWGM in this case

<sup>5</sup> Id. at ¶ 9.

<sup>6</sup> Id. at ¶¶ 18-19.

<sup>7</sup> See International Settlement Rates, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 19806 (1997) ("Benchmark Settlement Rates Order").

<sup>00</sup> condition to C&WUSA's provision of facilities-based service to unaffiliated markets in Russia. In the C&WUSA Russia Order, the Commission did not apply the benchmark C&WUSA Russia Order at ¶ 21.

<sup>9</sup> See C&WUSA China Order at ¶ 22.

in light of these affiliates' market power. accept the regulatory treatment that the Commission has already found to be appropriate determined the market power of CWGM's affiliates in these countries, and CWGM will Section 63.12(c) of the Commission's Rules, because the Commission has already its streamlined processing procedures. Streamlined processing is appropriate under CWGM requests that the Commission process this Application in accordance with

following information in support of this Application: Pursuant to Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, CWGM sets forth the

(a) The name, address, and telephone number of the Applicant is:

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Phone: (703) 905-4109

- 3 CWGM is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of
- <u>o</u> Correspondence concerning this Application should be sent to:

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(d) No. I-T-C-98-474 (effective August 5, 1998). CWGM currently holds limited global resale authority, as granted in File

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- **e** the provision of service to China and Russia. Commission's Rules to operate as a facilities-based and resale carrier for CWGM is applying for authority pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(6) of the
- (f) No response required

- 9 environmental assessment pursuant to Section 1.1306 of the based services and thus this Application is categorically excluded from Commission's Rules. CWGM will use previously authorized facilities to provide its facilities-
- $\Xi$ Attachment. Also, CWGM is a foreign carrier in Canada. (1) As evidenced by the certification provided in Attachment A, CWGM is affiliated with foreign carriers in the countries listed in Annex 1 to that
- interlocking directorates with any other U.S. common carrier. control ten percent or more of C&W plc. At present, CWGM has no telecommunications operations worldwide. There are no shareholders that ("C&W plc"), a company organized under the laws of England and Wales. 10 C&W plc is a holding company for a number of (2) CWGM is ultimately 100 percent owned by Cable and Wireless plc C&W plc is a holding company for a number of
- international services of other U.S. carriers. is indirectly affiliated with a U.S. carrier, Cable & Wireless, Inc. international services of C&WUSA, as well as the facilities-based (3) As evidenced by the certification provided in Attachment A, CWGM ("C&WUSA"). CWGM proposes to resell the facilities-based
- (4) No response required.
- respect to SS and ST, the Commission found that it would not serve the NT does not possess sufficient market share or control bottleneck facilities to enable NT to discriminate against unaffiliated U.S. carriers. 11 With public interest to apply the ECO test with respect to these affiliates NT in Russia. In the C&WUSA Russia Order, the Commission held that 5 Russia: As discussed above, CWGM is affiliated with SS, ST, and

Commission held that C&WUSA is not affiliated within the meaning of Section 63.18(h)(1)(i)(B) with Shenda or any other carrier in China. China: As discussed above, in the C&WUSA China Order, the

- (6) See response to (h)(5) above.
- reports to the extent required by the Commission. (7) See response to (h)(8) below. CWGM will file quarterly traffic

<sup>10</sup> The address of C&W plc is 124 Theobalds Road, London WC1X 8RX, England.

See C&WUSA Russia Order at ¶¶ 10, 12-13.

See C&WUSA China Order at ¶ 9.

affiliated U.S. carriers regulated as dominant on the route), and (2) dominant, if it is providing any other service. <sup>14</sup> CWGM requests and accepts the same regulatory treatment in this Application. resale of other U.S.-authorized carriers' switched services (except as (1) non-dominant, if it is providing only switched services through the (8) Russia: In the C&WUSA Russia Order, the Commission held that C&WUSA would be classified as a non-dominant carrier in its provision of service to all regions of Russia except the Sakhalin Island region. 13 With respect to the Sakhalin Island region, C&WUSA would be classified

regulated as dominant on the route), and (2) dominant, if it is providing any other service. <sup>15</sup> CWGM requests and accepts the same regulatory treatment in this Application. authorized carriers' switched services (except affiliated U.S. carriers providing only switched services through the resale of other U.S.-C&WUSA would be classified as (1) a non-dominant carrier, if it is China: In the C&WUSA China Order, the Commission held that

- $\Xi$ and will not enter into such agreements in the future. foreign end of the route to affect competition adversely in the U.S. market route where the foreign carrier possesses sufficient market power on the indirectly from any foreign carrier with respect to any U.S. international certifies that it has not agreed to accept special concessions directly or As evidenced by the certification provided in Attachment A, CWGM
- 9 benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 certifies that no party to this Application is subject to a denial of Federal As evidenced by the certification provided in Attachment A, CWGM
- E affiliates' market power. countries, and CWGM will accept the regulatory treatment that the already determined the market power of CWGM's affiliates in these 63.12(c)(1)(iii) of the Commission's Rules because the Commission has Streamlined processing is appropriate for this Application under Section Commission has already found to be appropriate in light of these

See C&WUSA Russia Order at ¶ 15.

<sup>14</sup> Id. at ¶¶ 15-16.

<sup>15</sup> See C&WUSA China Order at ¶¶ 18-19

requested in this Application. For the reasons stated herein, the Commission should grant the authority

Respectfully Submitted,

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Pursuant to Section 1.743(b) of the Rules, this Application is signed by CWGM's counsel on its behalf as all representatives of CWGM are absent from the U.S.

#### CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies, on behalf of Cable & Wireless Global Markets,

Inc. ("CWGM"), that:

- CWGM is a foreign carrier (as that term is defined in Section 63.18(h)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Rules) in Canada.
- 12 CWGM is affiliated with foreign carriers that operate in the countries listed in Annex 1 to this Certification.
- ω. CWGM is affiliated with Cable & Wireless, Inc., a facilities-based U.S carrier whose services CWGM plans to resell.
- 4 the foreign carrier possesses sufficient market power on the foreign end of the route to affect competition adversely in the U.S. market and will not enter into such agreements in the future. from any foreign carrier with respect to any U.S. international route where CWGM has not agreed to accept special concessions directly or indirectly
- S to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988. No party to this Application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits pursuant

By: David Sexton / 3rd Chief Executive

Date: 4/12/99

<sup>17</sup> Pursuant to Section 1.743(b) of the Rules, this Application is signed by CWGM's counsel on its behalf as all representatives of CWGM are absent from the U.S.

#### Annex 1 to Attachment A

# COUNTRIES IN WHICH CABLE & WIRELESS plc POSSESSES 25 PERCENT OR GREATER COMMON DIRECT OR INDIRECT

OWNERSHIP IN A CARRIER

Anguilla Antigua Ascension Island

> Montserrat Maldives Macao

Bermuda Barbados Australia Panama Pakistan

Canada Bulgaria British Virgin Islands Philippines Seychelles Russia

Falkland Islands Diego Garcia Cayman Islands St. Lucia St. Kitts & Nevis St. Helena Solomon Islands

China

Dominica

Yemen Vanuatu Tonga United Kingdom St. Vincent Turks & Caicos Trinidad & Tobago Thailand

Fiji

Grenada

Japan

Jamaica Indonesia Hong Kong