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

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In the Matter of Bharti Airtel USA, Ltd.

File No.: ITC-214-20151230-00313

PETITION TO ADOPT CONDITIONS TO AUTHORIZATIONS AND LICENSES

The Department of Justice ("DOJ") submits this Petition to Adopt Conditions to Authorizations and Licenses ("Petition"), pursuant to 1.41 of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") rules.¹ In the above-referenced proceeding, Bharti Airtel USA Ltd. ("Bharti") seeks an authorization for global or limited global facilities-based service and global or limited global resale service under Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,² and sections 63.18(e)(1) and (e)(2) of the Commission's rules.³ Through this Petition, DOJ advises the Commission that it has no objection to the Commission approving the authority sought in the above-referenced proceeding, provided that the Commission conditions its approval on the assurance of Bharti to abide by the commitments and undertakings set forth in the Letter of Agreement ("Agreement") dated November 6, 2017, a copy of which is attached hereto.

The Commission has long recognized that law enforcement, national security, and public safety concerns are part of its public interest analysis, and has accorded deference to the views of other U.S. government agencies with expertise in those areas.⁴

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.41.

² 47 U.S.C. § 214.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1) and (e)(2).

⁴ See Rules and Policies on Foreign Participation in the U.S. Telecommunications Market: Market Entry and Regulation of Foreign-Affiliated Entities, IB Docket Nos. 97-142 and 95-22, Report and Order and Order on

After discussions with representatives of the Applicant in connection with the abovereferenced proceedings, DOJ has concluded that additional commitments set forth in the Agreement will help ensure that the agency responsible for enforcing the law, protecting national security, and preserving public safety, can proceed appropriately to satisfy those responsibilities. Accordingly, DOJ advises the Commission that it has no objection to the Commission granting the application in the above-referenced proceedings, provided that the Commission conditions its consent on the compliance by Bharti with the Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

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Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 23891, 23918-21, paras. 59-66. (1997) (*Foreign Participation Order*), Order on Reconsideration, 15 FCC Rcd 18158 (2000).