

**EXHIBIT A – JUSTIFICATION FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

TA Resources N.V. (“TA Resources”), by its undersigned counsel, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Section 63.25 of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.25, hereby requests expedited Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to provide international telecommunications services between the United States and various international points for the urgent reasons set forth herein. TA Resources seeks such authority at the earliest feasible date in order to satisfy existing customer contracts and obligations to provide international services pending grant of TA Resources’ Section 214 application for regular authority.<sup>1</sup>

By way of background, TA Resources applied for Section 214 authority on January 7, 2010. TA Resources Application was placed on Public Notice February 5, 2010. No party filed comments expressing concern about the Application. Nor did any party file a pleading seeking to deny or restrict TA Resources’ desired authority to provide international telecommunications. The Executive Branch through the Departments of Justice and Homeland Security requested and received information regarding TA Resources in February 2010, and continue to review the Application.

STA is urgently required at this time to ensure that TA Resources is capable of implementing and operating telecommunications infrastructure between Aruba and the U.S. needed to ensure continuity of service for existing customers in Aruba. TA Resources intends to use co-location facilities in Miami as a hub for international traffic. The proposed facilities will serve as a lifeline for existing customers in Aruba. Due to markedly increased demand for international services, if TA Resources is unable to immediately operate its proposed international facilities interconnecting Aruban telecommunications infrastructure with facilities in Miami, Florida, existing Aruban customers may experience significant degradation and/or disruptions of service.

Grant of STA will serve the public interest by ensuring that Aruban customers continue to enjoy reliable access to international telecommunications and Internet infrastructure during the continued pendency of TA Resources’ Application. Grant of STA will also promote Miami as an international telecommunications hub, and eliminate the need for TA Resources to identify alternative facilities outside the U.S. capable of accommodating Aruban international traffic

As described in its Section 214 application, TA Resources’ parent, SETAR N.V. (“SETAR”), is a foreign carrier deemed by the FCC to hold market power in Aruba. TA Resources has agreed to be classified as dominant with respect to the U.S.-Aruba route, without prejudice to its right to petition for reclassification at a later date. TA Resources has also agreed to file quarterly traffic reports pursuant to Section 43.61(c) of the Commission’s Rules with respect to this route.

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<sup>1</sup> See FCC File No. ITC-214-20100107-00010 (“Application”).

TA Resources will interconnect Aruban telecommunications infrastructure with planned facilities in Miami using operational submarine cable systems. TA Resources has access to the Americas-1, Columbus-II, PANAM and Alonso De Ojeda cable systems. It is approximately 1,800 “airline kilometers” between Aruba and the planned facilities in Miami.

Accordingly, TA Resources respectfully requests expeditious grant of Special Temporary Authority. TA Resources acknowledges that grant of this request will not prejudice action by the Commission on its Section 214 application and that any authority granted pursuant to this request is subject to cancellation or modification upon notice, but without a hearing.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this matter to Ulises R. Pin at 202.373.6664.