

**ANSWER TO QUESTION 10**

This is a request for Special Temporary Authority (“STA”), submitted pursuant to Section 63.25 of the Commission’s rules, seeking temporary authority to allow Benchmark Communications, LLC (“Benchmark”) to operate while the pending International Section 214 Transfer of Control application between Benchmark Communications, LLC (“Benchmark”) and Crescent Affiliates, Inc. (“Crescent”) is completed. Benchmark respectfully requests 60 days temporary authority while the International Section 214 Application is reviewed.

Benchmark, the holder of Section 214 International authority, seeks Commission approval of a transaction which resulted in a change in 50% of the ownership of Benchmark by virtue of a membership interest purchase which did not receive prior FCC approval. Benchmark is a Louisiana limited liability company headquartered in Metairie, Louisiana, and holds blanket Section 214 authority to provide domestic telecommunications services and global resale international telecommunications services, and operates as a provider of cable television, telephone and internet services to multi-dwelling units in the states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. Benchmark is a subsidiary of Hunt Telecommunications, LLC, a Louisiana limited liability company.

In January 2014, Hunt authorized the transfer of fifty percent (50%) of its membership interests of Benchmark to Crescent Affiliates, Inc. (“Crescent”), a Louisiana corporation, via a Membership Interest Purchase Agreement. Crescent is an investor and does not possess any telecommunications licenses. Crescent is 100% owned by U.S. citizens. Further details on Crescent and its owners is set forth in the Section 214 Application.

Benchmark was unaware of the requirements to obtain FCC approval for this transaction, and wishes to make full disclosure of all substantive and non-substantive changes which have occurred involving this transaction.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION 12**

**Section 63.18(i):**

Benchmark Communications, LLC is not a foreign carrier nor does it have any foreign carrier affiliations. Crescent is not a telecommunications carrier, and likewise, does not have any foreign carrier affiliations.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION 15**

See Attachment 2.

**ANSWER TO QUESTION 16**

**Section 63.18(d):**

Benchmark Communications, LLC holds the International Section 214 authorization that is the subject of this Application, File No. ITC-214-20041005-00393 granted October 22, 2004.

**Section 63.18(e)(3):**

Benchmark Communications, LLC is not applying for authority to acquire facilities or to provide services not covered by Sections 63.18(e)(1) and (e)(2) of the Commission's rules, nor is it seeking additional authority under Section 63.18 (e)(3).

**Section 63.18(g):**

Not applicable.