ATTACHMENT 1

Response to Item 9 -- Description

Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), and Section 63.24 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.24, MJD Ventures, Inc. ("MJD" or "Transferor") and BTC Holdings, Inc. ("BTC" or "Transferee", and together with MJD, the "Applicants") hereby request Commission consent to transfer control of the international Section 214 authorization held by Fretel Communications, LLC ("Fretel") from MJD to BTC. The proposed transfer of control will be accomplished by MJD's sale of all of the membership interests of Fretel to BTC.

Answer to Question 10 & Information Required by Rule Section 63.24(e)

Name, Address, and Telephone Number of Transferor and Transferee:

The name, address, and telephone number of Transferor and Transferee are set-forth in Items 6 and 7, respectively, of the accompanying Form 214TC.

State Under the Laws of which each Applicant is Organized:

Fretel is a limited liability company organized under the laws of Idaho. Transferor, MJD, is a corporation organized under the laws of Delaware. Transferee, BTC, is a corporation organized under the laws of Montana.

Contact Information for All Parties to this Application:

All correspondence, notices and inquiries regarding this transaction should be addressed to:

Transferor:

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Prior International Section 214 Authorizations:

The following direct subsidiary of MJD holds an International Section 214 authorization:

Operating Company	FCC File No.	Services Authorized
Fretel	ITC-214-19990125-00037	Global or limited global
Communications, LLC	(acquired pursuant to File No.	resale service
	ITC-ASG-20100614-00248)	

BTC is a holding company and does not hold, and has not previously held, authority under Section 214 of the Act. BTC's parent, Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Blackfoot"), holds international Section 214 authority for global resale, File No. ITC-ASG-20050629-00300 (assignment of ITC-214-19970710-00831), as well as domestic Section 214 authority granted under the blanket authorization provision of Section 63.01 of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. § 63.01.

Answer to Question 11

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the only entity that owns at least ten (10) percent of the equity of Transferee is:

Name & Address	% Equity	Citizenship	Principal Business
Blackfoot Telephone	100%	Montana	Telecommunications
Cooperative, Inc.		Corporation	
1221 North Russell Street			
Missoula, MT 59808			

Blackfoot is a cooperative owned by its member-subscribers. No member-subscriber owns a ten (10) percent or greater interest in Blackfoot.

Answer to Question 13

The proposed transfer of control of Fretel from MJD to BTC will be accomplished by MJD's sale of all of the membership interests in Fretel to BTC. The transaction is part of a larger transaction pursuant to which MJD also will sell all of the capital stock in Fremont Telcom Co. ("Fremont"), a local exchange carrier, to BTC. MJD is a wholly-owned subsidiary of FairPoint Communications, Inc. ("FairPoint"), and as noted above, BTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Blackfoot. On December 5, 2012, FairPoint and Blackfoot submitted a Consolidated Application for Transfer of Control seeking Commission consent for the transfer of control of the domestic Section 214 authority held by Fretel and Fremont (the "Domestic 214 Application"). The instant application seeks Commission consent to effectuate the transfer of control of the international Section 214 authority held by Fretel.

Answer to Question 20

The Applicants seek streamlined treatment of this application, pursuant to Section 63.18(p) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(p). This application qualifies for streamlined treatment because:

- (a) neither the Transferee nor any of its affiliates is a dominant provider of international telecommunications services;
- (b) neither the Transferee nor any of its affiliates is affiliated with a foreign carrier; and
- (c) none of the Applicants is prohibited from seeking streamlined treatment of this application by any of the provisions in Section 63.12(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12.