

Section 214 Application for
Special Temporary Authority
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Re: ITC-T/C-20131106-00306

Applicant acknowledges
the conditions of STA.

Newcastle Holdings, Inc.

Question 10: In Attachment 1, provide justification of need for special temporary authority requested.

Response:

Newcastle Holdings, Inc. ("Newcastle") respectfully submits that the public interest would be served by a grant of this Special Temporary Authority ("STA") pending grant of its application for the transfer of control regarding its Section 63.18(e)(2) (global resale authority), File No. ITC-214-20060113-00039, filed simultaneously herewith.¹ Thus, prompt action granting this STA will allow Newcastle's customers to continue to utilize the international long distance service offered by Dalton Telecommunications, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Newcastle, which is providing international resold service under Newcastle's international Section 214 authority. See Public Notice, Report No. TEL-011107, DA No. 07-104, released January 18, 2007 at 3-4.

Newcastle seeks to correct the errors in its ownership information as originally reported to and approved by the Commission in the above-referenced grant of authority to provide international global resold service. See Public Notice, Report No. TEL-00997, DA No. 06-360, released February 16, 2006.² The ownership error was identified in the context of preparing for

¹ Newcastle has also filed a STA request to continue the domestic operations of its directly owned incumbent local exchange carrier subsidiaries, Dalton Telephone Company ("Dalton") and Elsie Communications, Inc. ("Elsie"). A copy of this STA request is attached hereto as Attachment 1-A.

² The instant request for STA is a companion filing to correct the ownership errors associated with Newcastle in a domestic transfer of control application approved by the Commission in February, 2006. See Public Notice, WC Docket Nos. 06-4 & 06-13, DA 06-380, released February 17, 2006; see also Public Notice, WC Docket No. 06-13, DA 06-75, released January 17, 2006. As noted in the domestic transfer of control application approved in WC Docket No. 06-13, Newcastle planned to and did file for the international Section 214 authority that is the subject of this STA request. Newcastle's January, 2006 filing for global resale authority reflected the same erroneous ownership information reported in the domestic transfer of control application. In the domestic transfer of control application, the applicants thereto described a transaction whereby Newcastle would acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Elsie from SKT Ventures, Inc., as well as all of the issued and outstanding shares of Dalton from Dalton Holdings, Inc. Newcastle consummated the transaction in June 2006, but the ownership of its parent company, American Broadband Acquisition Corp IV ("ABAC IV") was then significantly different from the structure reported in the original application.

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