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

*In the Matter of* 

EDGE CABLE HOLDINGS USA, LLC,
CHINA TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION,
CHINA TELECOM GLOBAL LIMITED,
CHINA UNITED NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS
GROUP COMPANY LIMITED,
RTI EXPRESS PTE. LTD.,
TATA COMMUNICATIONS (BERMUDA) LIMITED,
and

TELSTRA CORPORATION LIMITED,

Application for a License to Land and Operate a Private Fiber-Optic Submarine Cable System Connecting the United States, Hong Kong, and Taiwan,

THE HONG KONG-AMERICAS SYSTEM

File Nos. SCL-LIC-20180711-00018 SCL-STA-20201217-00049

## NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF CABLE LANDING LICENSE APPLICATION AND ASSOCIATED REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

On July 11, 2018, Edge Cable Holdings USA, LLC ("Edge USA"), China
Telecommunications Corporation ("CTC"), China Telecom Global Limited ("CTG"), China
United Network Communications Group Company Limited ("China Unicom"), RTI Express Pte.
Ltd. ("RTI Express"), Tata Communications (Bermuda) Limited ("Tata Communications"), and
Telstra Corporation Limited ("Telstra") (collectively, the "Applicants"), filed an application for a
license to construct, land, and operate the Hong Kong-Americas submarine cable system
connecting: Chung Hom Kok, Hong Kong SAR; Toucheng, Taiwan; Manchester, California;

and Hermosa Beach, California.<sup>1</sup> On December 17, 2020, the Applicants filed a request for special temporary authority ("STA") for construction, connection, and testing of the HKA system in U.S. territory pending grant of the cable landing license application.<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.748, the Applicants notify the Commission of the withdrawal of the Application and STA request, and they request that the Commission dismiss it without prejudice to any future filing for a possibly–reconfigured submarine cable system and without prejudice to any future request for, or grant of, STA for construction, connection, testing, and/or operating authority relating to such a system.

The Applicants look forward to working with the Commission and the Executive Branch to secure a cable landing license for an optimized system that is satisfactory for all parties.

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See Edge Cable Holdings USA, LLC, China Telecommunications Corporation, China Telecom Global Limited, China United Network Communications Group Company Limited, RTI Express Pte. Ltd., Tata Communications (Bermuda) Limited, and Telstra Corporation Limited, Application for a Cable Landing License for the Hong Kong-Americas System, File No. SCL-LIC-20180711-00018 (filed July 11, 2018) ("Application").

See Edge Cable Holdings USA, LLC, China Telecommunications Corporation, China Telecom Global Limited, China United Network Communications Group Company Limited, RTI Express Pte. Ltd., Tata Communications (Bermuda) Limited, and Telstra Corporation Limited, Application for Special Temporary Authority for the Hong Kong-Americas System, File No. SCL-LIC-20180711-00018 (filed December 17, 2020) ("STA Request").

Respectfully submitted,

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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kent Bressie, hereby certify that consistent with 47 C.F.R. § 1.767(j), I have served copies of the foregoing notice of withdrawal of the cable landing license application and associated construction STA request for the HKA system, by hand delivery or electronic mail this 9th day of March, 2021 to the following:

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