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June 4, 2018

Via IBFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Birch Communications, Inc. - ITC-214-19970926-00584
Surrender of International Section 214 Authorization

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Birch Communications, Inc. (“Birch Communications”), by its attorneys, hereby notifies the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) that Birch Communications is surrendering its international Section 214 authorization (File No. ITC-214-19970926-00584) effective immediately.

Birch Communications is not discontinuing its service operations and, by separate filing, has notified the Commission that Birch Communications will be operating pursuant to the international Section 214 authorization held by its indirect parent, Fusion Connect, Inc.¹ Consequently, as service is not being discontinued for any customers, there are no customers to be notified in accordance with Section 63.19(a)(1) of the Commission’s Rules, and no customer notification is attached to this letter.

¹ See Letter to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, from Denise N. Smith, Counsel to Fusion Connect, Inc. (May 31, 2018) (via IBFS). The international Section 214 authorization (ITC-214-19971001-00592) was granted to Fusion Telecommunications International, Inc. (“FTI”) and FTI has recently changed its name to Fusion Connect, Inc. The appropriate name update filings are being made separately with the Commission.

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Please contact the undersigned counsel at (202) 342-8400 or via e-mail at dsmith@kelleydrye.com if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Denise N. Smith". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "S".

Denise N. Smith

Counsel to Birch Communications, Inc.

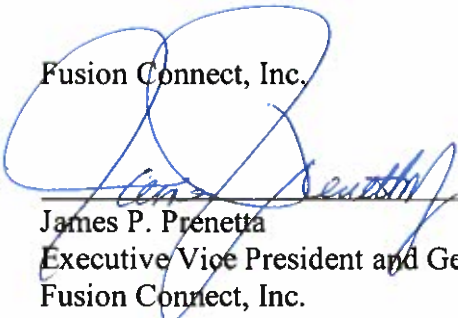
VERIFICATION

On behalf of Fusion Connect, Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Birch Communications, Inc. I hereby verify that the content of the foregoing letter, surrendering Birch Communications' international section 214 authorization, is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on this 31st day of May, 2018

Fusion Connect, Inc.

By:



James P. Prenetta
Executive Vice President and General Counsel
Fusion Connect, Inc.