Instructions to File a Submarine Cable Landing Point Notification Office of International Affairs

SCL-LPN

Purpose of Form

This form is used by an Applicant(s) to notify the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) of the precise location of each cable landing point of the cable system. If the precise landing point for the submarine cable system is not known at the time the application for the cable landing license is filed with the Commission, the Applicant(s) must notify the Commission of the precise location of the landing point ninety (90) days prior to commencing construction at that landing point. *See* 47 CFR § 1.767(a)(5), (g) (8).

Who Must File This Form and When

Any Applicant that did not previously notify the Commission of the precise landing point locations of the cable upon the filing of a cable landing license application must file this form no later than ninety (90) days prior to construction. The following entities are required to be applicants for, and licensees on, a cable landing license pursuant to section 1.767(h) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.767(h):

- Any entity that owns or controls a cable landing station in the United States; and
- All other entities owning or controlling a 5% or greater interest in the cable system and using the U.S. points of the cable system.

Description of Form

This form consists of a main form and the ability to file an attachment(s) to support the landing point notification. The Applicant is encouraged to upload a single document in machine readable format, including all required information. The Applicant must fill in all required fields, upload required documents, make all required certifications, and sign the form before submitting the landing point notification.

Information Current and Complete

Information filed in the landing point notification with the Commission must be kept current and complete under <u>section 1.65</u> of the Commission's rules. 47 CFR § 1.65.

Applicable Rules and Regulations

The FCC derives its authority to grant, regulate and impose conditions on submarine cables from:

- Cable Landing License Act of 1921 (Cable Landing License Act) and the 1954 Executive Order No. 10530. 47 U.S.C. §§ 34-39; Exec. Order No. 10530 § 5(a) (May 10, 1954); reprinted as amended in 3 U.S.C. §301.
- Communications Act of 1934, as amended (Act) 47 U.S.C. § 151 et. seq.
- Commission rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.767, 1.768, §§ 63.18 (h), (o), (p), (q); § 63.10 (a).
- Review of Commission Consideration of Applications under the Cable Landing License Act, IB Docket No. 00-106, Report and Order, 16 FCC Rcd 2167 (2001).

Applicants should refer to the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996. The Debt Collection Act requires all federal agencies to ensure that no debtors to the Federal government obtain any licenses or other benefits from the FCC. To ensure this, the Commission must collect FRN information to correlate its Applicants with any outstanding Federal debt that they might have incurred in other dealings with the Federal government. For additional information, *see* the FCC's Debt Collection webpage.

Other Submarine Cable (SCL) Forms

• SCL-LIC Form.

O This form is used to apply for a cable landing license.

• SCL-AMD Form.

o This form is used to amend a pending application related to a cable landing license.

• SCL-ASG&TC Form.

o This form is used for an assignment of a cable landing license or the transfer of control of a licensee. The form is used for both substantive and pro forma transactions.

SCL-MOD Form.

o This form is used to modify an existing cable landing license, for example to add or remove a licensee or to add a new landing point.

• SCL-FCN Form.

o The form is used by a licensee to notify the Commission of new foreign carrier affiliation(s).

• SCL-RPT Form.

o This form is used to file the required quarterly reports of any licensee affiliated with a foreign carrier with market power in a destination country of the cable system in accordance with section 1.767(1) of the Commission's rules.

• SCL-RWL Form

o This form is used to request renewal of an existing cable landing license.

SCL-STA Form.

o This form is used to request Special Temporary Authority related to a cable landing license, such as to start construction of the cable prior to grant of the cable landing license or related to an unauthorized transaction related to the license.

SCL-WAV Form.

o An individual or entity may request a waiver of the Commission's rules by filing an SCL-WAV form.

FCC Notice Required by The Paperwork Reduction Act

We have estimated that on average each response to this collection of information (using in-house staff) will take 1 hour. Our estimate includes the time to read the instruction, rules, gather data, and complete and file the form. If you have any comments on this burden estimate, or on how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden, please email them to pra@fcc.gov or send them to the Federal Communications Commission, AMDPERM, Paperwork Reduction Project (3060-0404), Washington, DC 20554.

The Applicant is not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor this collection, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number of 3060-0944. This notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, P.L. 104-13, October 1, 1995, 44 U.S.C. Section 3507.

For Assistance

For technical assistance with completing the forms, contact the ICFS Helpline at (202) 418-2222 or ICFSINFO@fcc.gov. For general questions about the form requirements, contact the Office of International Affairs, Telecommunications and Analysis Division at (202) 418-1480 or at FCC-OIA-TAD@fcc.gov.

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FILING INSTRUCTIONS

Applicant Information

Remember to save your draft application periodically by clicking the save button. ICFS will time-out out after 15 minutes of no activity, and failure to save will result in loss of any information entered into the application form after the last save.

<u>Item 1</u>. The Applicant must enter the information requested. Some data will be pre-populated using the data associated with the Applicant's FCC Registration Number (FRN). If there are multiple Applicants for the cable landing license, the lead Applicant shall enter its information in Item 1.

When the Applicant enters its FRN, the Applicant Information will pre-populate with its FRN data in CORES. To modify these pre-populated data, update the data associated with the FRN in <u>CORES</u>. However, a few fields are editable in this item in the SCL-LPN form (Attention, Title, Phone, Fax, and Email fields are editable).

Enter any missing data and sections that are not already populated from CORES, such as the "Applicant/Licensee Legal Entity Type" field.

Contact Information

<u>Item 2</u>. Identify the contact representative, if different from the Applicant. The contact information can be imported automatically from CORES if the Applicant supplies an FRN, but fields are still editable. If the contact representative is the same as the person indicated in Item 1, then check the box "Check here if same as Applicant." If the contact representative is not the same as the Applicant, provide the requested information.

- Provide the name of a person in your organization, your outside counsel, or other representative
 whom we can contact if there are questions regarding your application. This person should have
 decisional authority over the contents of your application.
- Provide the Company name if different from the "Applicant" name in Item 1 or repeat "Company" name here.
- Provide the contact representative's address, phone number, fax number, and email.
- Provide your "Doing Business As (DBA)" name. If the Applicant is not operating its business using a DBA, you may leave this section blank.
- Indicate how the contact person is related to the Applicant by selecting a choice from the drop-down "Relationship" menu.. For example, select "Legal counsel" if the contact is the Applicant's counsel. Selecting "Other" will open a text box for entry of a description of the relationship.

Application Information

<u>Item 3</u>. Provide a short description of the cable system, including the system name, country(ies) of the landing point(s), and name(s) of the Applicant(s). This description will show up in the Applicant's "My Filings" tab on the ICFS main page, allowing for identification of this filing.

Submarine Cable Landing Location Information

Item 5. If the Applicant(s) requests confidential treatment for the geographic coordinates, do not fill in the coordinates chart in this question, and instead provide the coordinates in an uploaded confidential attachment (including an explanation for the request for confidentiality). The coordinates in the attachment must be provided in the same format that is set out in the chart in this question. See the instructions below in the Attachments/Confidential Treatment of Attachments for more information on confidential attachments. If the Applicant(s) does not seek confidential treatment for the coordinates, provide the specific geographic coordinates of the U.S. and foreign landing locations that were not included in the Applicant's initial cable landing license application, as required by 1.767(a)(5) and 1.767(g)(8) of the Commission's rules. In the chart:

(a) In column (a), use the drop-down menu to select whether the cable landing is a U.S. or foreign landing;

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(b) In column (b), use the drop-down menu to indicate whether the coordinates are for a cable landing station or beach joint/manhole;

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- (c) In column (c), fill in the latitude in Decimal Degrees;
- (d) In column (d), fill in the longitude in Decimal Degrees; and
- (e) In column (e), use the drop-down menu to indicate whether the coordinates are initial or final coordinates.

Note on Decimal Degrees: Provide the coordinates in Decimal Degrees. Information on converting latitude and longitude between decimal degrees and degrees, minutes, and seconds is available at https://www.fcc.gov/media/radio/dms-decimal.

<u>Item 6</u>. If the Applicant(s) requests confidential treatment for the specific geographic coordinates of the U.S. and foreign landing locations, indicate this by checking the "Yes" box here. If "Yes," the Applicant(s) must submit an attachment with an explanation for the request for confidentiality. <u>Item 7</u>. Indicate whether the Applicant(s) has attached a map showing specific geographic coordinates of each cable landing station in the United States and in foreign countries where the cable will land (that were not included in the application), and the coordinates of any beach joint where those coordinates differ from the coordinates of the cable landing station (that were not included in the application), as required by section 1.767(a)(5) and 1.767(g)(8) of the Commission's rules, by checking "Yes" or "No." If "No," explain why the Applicant(s) has not included a map in an attachment. A waiver request may be warranted.

<u>Item 8</u>. Indicate by checking the box whether the Applicant(s) acknowledge that it/they will not commence construction at the landing location(s) identified above until at least ninety (90) days after the filing of this Landing Point Notification as required by section 1.767(a)(5), (g)(8) of the Commission's rules. If there are multiple Applicants for the cable landing license, checking the box shall signify that all of the Applicants acknowledge that they will comply with this requirement.

Waivers

<u>Item 9</u>. Indicate whether the Applicant(s) requests a waiver of any Commission rules by checking "Yes" or "No." If "Yes," identify the rules for which a waiver is sought in the fill-in box. Provide an explanation for the waiver request in an attachment, along with other material information. Upload an attachment that includes a statement affirming whether the Applicant(s) has uploaded a statement explaining any request for a waiver and identifying the rule number(s) involved, along with other material information, or a statement affirming that such an explanation is inapplicable to the Applicant(s).

Attachments

<u>Item 10</u>. Indicate by checking "Yes" or "No" if the Applicant(s) has attached a map showing specific geographic coordinates of each cable landing station in the United States and in foreign countries where the cable will land, and the coordinates of any beach joint where those coordinates differ from the coordinates of the cable landing station, as required by section 1.767(a)(5) and 1.767(g)(8) of the Commission's rules. If Applicant(s) has not attached a map, upload an attachment explaining why the Applicant(s) has not included the map as required by section 1.767(a)(5) and 1.767(g)(8) of the Commission's rules. As noted above, a waiver request may be warranted.

Attachments/Confidential Treatment of Attachments

<u>Item 11</u>. If the Applicant(s) is requesting confidential treatment for any of its attachments, answer this question "Yes." Otherwise, answer "No."

If the Applicant answers "Yes" in Item 11, then it must upload a supporting statement for the "confidential treatment request(s)" identifying the applicable rule(s) and providing other supporting materials or information. The Applicant(s) must also upload both the Redacted Public version and the Non-Redacted Confidential version of the attachment(s) in the Attachments section which follows below.

As stated above, if the Applicant(s) requests confidential treatment for the geographic coordinates of the U.S. and foreign landing locations, do not fill in the coordinates chart in Item 5, and instead provide the coordinates in an uploaded confidential attachment and include an explanation for the request for confidentiality.

The Applicant(s) can upload attachments in this section. The Applicant(s) will identify the attachment(s) with a short name for easy identification of the information included in each attachment.

Note: Each document required to be filed as an attachment should be current as of the date of filing. Each page of every attachment must be identified with the number or letter, the number of the page, and the total number of pages.

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In this item, the Applicant(s) may use the upload button to upload its attachments. After uploading, the Applicant(s) can describe the attachment. Also after uploading, the Applicant(s) can click the confidential treatment button next to the attachment name if it so desires. Clicking the confidential treatment button will trigger a request to upload both a redacted, public version of the attachment and a public supporting statement justifying the confidentiality request. Identify in the attachment the applicable rule(s) and provide other supporting materials or information. Documents designated for confidential treatment will not be publicly viewable in ICFS while the Commission considers the confidentiality request.

General Certification Statements

<u>Item 12</u>. In order to submit the Landing Point Notification, the Applicant(s) must certify acknowledgement of all requirements listed here and elsewhere in this form by clicking on the single indicated checkbox. If there are multiple applicants for the cable landing license, checking the box shall signify that all of the Applicants certify that they will comply with these requirements. These requirements include:

- The Applicant(s) certifies that it has provided all the required information required by section 1.767(a)(5), (g)(8) of the Commission's rules.
- The Applicant(s) certifies that neither it nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits, including FCC benefits pursuant to section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. *See* 47 CFR § 1.2002(b) for the meaning of "party to the application" for these purposes. (This certification does not apply to applications filed in services exempted under § 1.2002(c) of the rules, or to Federal, State or local governmental entities or subdivisions thereof. *See* 47 CFR § 1.2002(c).)
- The Applicant(s) certifies that all of its statements made in this notification and in the attachments or documents incorporated by reference are material, are part of this application, and are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith.

Party Authorized to Sign

<u>Item 13</u>. Enter all the requested information. Willful false statements are punishable by fine and or/imprisonment (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001). By signing this, you certify that you are a party authorized to sign and all statements made in this notification and in the attachment or documents incorporated by reference are material, are part of this application, and are true, complete, correct, and made in good faith.

Enter the title of the person signing the application. If the Applicant is a corporation or other business entity, the person submitting the application must be an officer.

The Applicant does not enter a date here. ICFS will fill in the date automatically with the date on which the notification is submitted.

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. Code, Title 18, Section 1001), AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 35), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 503).

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