In the Matter of
Federal-State Joint Board on
Universal Service
Guam Cellular and Paging, Inc. d/b/a
Saipancell
Petition for Designation as an
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier
on the island of Saipan
in Commonwealth of the Northern
Mariana Islands

To: Common Carrier Bureau

Amendment to Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on the Island of Saipan

Guam Cellular and Paging, Inc. ("Saipancell"), by counsel, hereby amends its Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") on the island of Saipan. Specifically, Saipancell amends its application to include a copy of a letter from the governor of the Northern Mariana Islands confirming that the Commonwealth Telecommunications Commission ("CTC") does not regulate commercial mobile radio ("CMRS") and paging services.

Saipancell filed its Petition for Designation as an ETC with the FCC on February 19, 2002. As part of its original Petition, Saipancell included a letter from the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation which explained that it did not exercise jurisdiction over CMRS carriers such as Saipancell. We have since learned that the CTC, and not the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation, is the appropriate authority to issue statements regarding jurisdictional matters. Accordingly, attached hereto as Exhibit A is a copy of a letter, signed by Juan N. Babauta, Governor of the
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, confirming that the CTC does not regulate CMRS carriers such as Saipancell.

The attached letter from the CTC constitutes an “affirmative statement” as required under Section 214(e)(6), that the FCC is the appropriate authority to consider Saipancell’s Petition for Designation as an ETC.

Therefore, Saipancell hereby amends its original application to include the recent statement from the CTC that it does not have jurisdiction over CMRS carriers.

We respectfully request that the Commission put this amendment on Public Notice, as required, at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully submitted,

Guam Cellular and Paging, Inc.

[Signature]

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EXHIBIT A
COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

Juan N. Babauta  
Governor

Diego T. Benavente  
Lieutenant Governor

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General Manager  
SaipanCell Communications  
P.O. Box 502146  
Saipan, MP 96950

Dear Sir:

I am writing to confirm that the Telecommunication Commission does not regulate commercial mobile radio and paging services. SaipanCell Communications is not registered by Telecommunication Commission.

Sincerely,

Juan N. Babauta
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Janelle Wood, a secretary in the law office of Lukas, Nace, Gutierrez & Sachs, hereby certify that I have, on this 15th day of April, 2002, placed in the United States mail, first-class postage pre-paid, a copy of the foregoing Amendment to Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on the Island and Saipan filed today to the following:

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