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APPLICATIONS GRANTED FOR THE TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF BRESNAN COMMUNICATIONS, LLC TO CABLEVISION SYSTEMS CORPORATION

MB Docket No. 10-154

On July 1, 2010, Cablevision Systems Corporation ("Cablevision"), Bresnan Broadband Holding, LLC, Bresnan Communications, LLC, and their subsidiaries, and the William J. Bresnan Revocable Trust (collectively, "Bresnan" and, together with Cablevision, the "Applicants") jointly submitted applications to the Commission seeking consent to the transfer of control of certain licenses held by Bresnan to Cablevision.¹ The proposed transfer of control of these licenses is part of a transaction whereby a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cablevision will acquire control of Bresnan. Cablevision provides video, voice, and broadband service to customers in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut. Bresnan provides video, voice, and broadband service to customers in Colorado, Utah, Montana, and Wyoming. On August 12, 2010, the Media Bureau released a Public Notice requesting comment on these applications.² We received no petitions to deny and one comment, from a customer in favor of the transaction.³

Pursuant to Sections 4(i), 214, and 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,⁴ and Sections 0.261, 0.283, 0.291, and 0.331 of the Commission's rules,⁵ the International Bureau, the Media Bureau, the Wireline Competition Bureau, and the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, under delegated authority, approve the applications listed herein.⁶ The Bureaus find that grant of the applications will

⁴ 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 214, 310(d).

⁵ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.261, 0.283, 0.291, 0.331.

¹ Applications for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Licenses of Bresnan Communications, LLC to Cablevision Systems Corporation, Applications and Public Interest Statement (filed Jul. 1, 2010); see also Supplement to Applications for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Licenses of Bresnan Communications, LLC to Cablevision Systems Corporation (filed Aug. 18, 2010).

² Applications Filed for the Transfer of Control of Bresnan Communications, LLC to Cablevision Systems Corporation, Public Notice, DA 10-1495 (MB Aug. 12, 2010).

³ Comment of Mark Uhde (filed Aug. 23, 2010).

 $^{^{6}}$ The Commission's grant includes consent for Cablevision to acquire control of (1) any authorizations or licenses issued to the Applicants or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates to the extent such authorizations are related to the Applicants' cable television systems affected by the transactions, during the Commission's consideration of the (continued . . .)

serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.⁷

A. SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATIONS

1. Domestic

The Wireline Competition Bureau grants the application for consent to transfer control of the domestic Section 214 subsidiaries of Bresnan Broadband Holdings, LLC and its subsidiaries to Cablevision. The subsidiaries are Bresnan Broadband of Colorado, LLC, Bresnan Broadband of Montana, LLC, Bresnan Broadband of Utah, LLC, and Bresnan Broadband of Wyoming, LLC. These subsidiaries offer competitive local exchange and long distance services in Colorado, Montana, Utah, and Wyoming.

2. International

<u>File No.</u>	Authorization Holder	Authorization Number
ITC-T/C-20100701-00269	Bresnan Digital Services, LLC	ITC-214-20061117-00525

B. CABLE TELEVISION RELAY SERVICE APPLICATIONS

<u>File No.</u>	Authorization Holder	<u>Call Sign</u>
20100706AA-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WHZ-634
20100706AB-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WHZ-748
20100706AC-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-332
20100706AD-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-624
20100706AE-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-861
20100706AF-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WBH-637
20100706AG-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-563
20100706AH-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-838
20100706AI-09	Bresnan Communications, LLC	WLY-839

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applications and the period required for the consummation of the transactions following approval; (2) construction permits held by licensees involved in the transactions that mature into licenses after closing and that may have been omitted from the applications; and (3) applications that will have been filed by such licensees relating to such cable systems and that are pending at the time of consummation of the transactions. *See, e.g., Applications for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Licenses and Section 214 Authorizations from MediaOne Group, Inc., Transferor, to AT&T Corp., Transferee,* Memorandum Opinion and Order, 15 FCC Rcd 9816, 9895 ¶ 185 (2000).

⁷ See 47 U.S.C. §§ 214(a), 310(d).

C. PARTS 90 AND 101- PRIVATE LAND MOBILE AND COMMON CARRIER POINT-TO-POINT FIXED MICROWAVE LICENSES

<u>File No.</u>	Authorization Holder	<u>Lead Call Sign</u>
0004296040	Bresnan Communications, LLC	KNGQ260

Pursuant to Section 1.103 of the Commission's rules,⁸ the consent granted herein is effective upon release of this Public Notice. By this approval, the parties are authorized to consummate the transaction described in their applications.⁹ Pursuant to Sections 1.106(f) and 1.115(a) of the Commission's rules, petitions for reconsideration and applications for review may be filed within thirty days of the release of this Public Notice.¹⁰

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¹⁰ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106(f), 1.115(a); see also 47 C.F.R. § 1.106(b)(1).

⁸ 47 C.F.R. § 1.103.

⁹ The transferee must notify the Commission no later than 30 days after consummation of the proposed transfer of control of the international Section 214 authorizations. 47 C.F.R. § 63.24(e)(4). For the Cable Television Relay Service licenses, Applicants are required to consummate the transaction within 60 days of the public notice of the approval of the applications and the transferee must provide notice to the Commission within 30 days after actual consummation. 47 C.F.R. § 78.35(e). With respect to the Wireless Radio Services licenses, the Applicants are required to consummate the transaction within 180 days of public notice of approval the applications and the transferee is required to provide notification to the Commission within 30 days after actual consummation. 47 C.F.R. § 1.948(d).