# EXHIBIT C

FCC 214 Application



July xx, 2013

«Name» «Address» «City», «State» «Zip»

Dear Valued Customer:

Great news! TNCI Operating Company LLC ("TNCI") has reached an agreement with Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Tex-Link Communications, Inc. and nWire, LLC (collectively, "Pac-West") to acquire their business, including your account. As part of this transition, TNCI will assure that you continue to receive the same great service and dedication to your telecommunications needs.

Please rest assured that the transaction will not affect the services you currently receive. You will continue to receive services with the same rates, features, terms and conditions as you currently enjoy. Any changes to your service following the transaction will be made in compliance with your contract, service terms and applicable federal and state regulatory requirements. TNCI will automatically become your telecommunications provider on or about September 5, 2013. (The specific date(s) of the transfer of your interstate and intrastate telecommunications services may differ somewhat depending upon when we receive the applicable federal and state regulatory approvals.)

This change will be completely seamless for you and you do not need to do anything in order for it to occur -- TNCI will take care of all of the details and TNCI will be responsible for any change fees associated with transferring your account to TNCI. However, it is important that you be aware of the following information. You are responsible for continued payment of your monthly recurring and usage charges throughout this period. Unless you have made arrangements on your own to switch your telecommunications service to a different telecommunications company prior to the date that your services are transferred to TNCI, your account will automatically be transferred and your service contract assigned to TNCI.<sup>1</sup> In addition, any deposit or prepayment you have paid, if any, will be transferred with your account to TNCI. Although subject to the terms of your current contract you have the option to select another telephone provider, we value your business and we hope that TNCI may continue to serve you. If you should choose another telephone provider you will need to contact that carrier directly to arrange for the change prior to the transfer of your services to TNCI and also provide TNCI with notice per existing service terms. We note that it can take several weeks for a new carrier to make the switch and you may also incur service initiation fees from that provider such as service order, installation and other similar charges associated with establishing a new service account.

Our mission is to provide superior products and services to our customers. We want to thank you for your continued support. Until your transfer to TNCI is complete, please contact your current Pac-West customer service department toll-free at 1-877-626-4325 if you have any questions regarding your current services or invoices. If you would like more information about the transaction or have questions concerning your services or invoices upon completion of your transfer to TNCI, please call TNCI's customer service department toll-free at 800-800-8400.

TNCI looks forward to serving you.

Sincerely,

Jeff Compton President & Chief Executive Officer TNCI Operating Company LLC Michael Holloway President & Chief Executive Officer Pac-West Telecomm, Inc. Tex-Link Communications, Inc. nWire, LLC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you have previously arranged for a preferred carrier "freeze," TNCI will suspend that freeze in order to make the transfer and reinstate it upon completion of a transfer to TNCI. If you have selected an alternate local telephone provider prior to a transfer to TNCI, you will need to have that provider reinstate your preferred carrier freeze.

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July 25, 2013

Via Electronic Filing

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission International Bureau Applications P.O. Box 979093 St. Louis, MO 63197-9700

Re: In the Matter of the Joint Application of TNCI Operating Company LLC ("Assignee") and Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Tex-Link Communications, Inc. and nWire, LLC ("Assignors") for Grant of Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 63.04 and 63.24 of the Commission's Rules to Complete the Assignment of Assets and Customers of Assignor to Assignee

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of TNCI Operating Company LLC ("TNCI") and Pac-West Telecomm, Inc. ("Pac-West"), Tex-Link Communications, Inc. ("Tex-Link") and nWire, LLC ("nWire"), enclosed is an application for authority to complete the assignment of assets and customers from Pac-West, Tex-Link and nWire to TNCI.

Pursuant to Section 63.04(b) of the Commission's rules, Applicants submit this filing as a combined <u>domestic</u> section 214 application and <u>international</u> section 214 application ("Combined Application"). Applicants are simultaneously submitting for filing the Combined Application with the Wireline Competition Bureau, in accordance with the Commission's rules.

This filing and the applicable credit card payments in the amount of \$1,050.00 which satisfy the filing fees required for the applications under line 2.b of Section 1.1105 of the Commission's rules, are being submitted electronically through the MyIBFS.

Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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## Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of the Joint Application of )
TNCI Operating Company LLC, Assignee, )
and )
Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., )
Tex-Link Communications, Inc., and )
nWire, LLC, )
Assignors and Licensees, )
For Grant of Authority Pursuant to )
Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, )
as amended, and Sections 63.04 and 63.24 of the )
Commission's Rules to Complete the Assignment )
of the Assets and Customers )
of Assignors to Assignee )

WC Docket No. 13-\_\_\_\_

IB File Nos. ITC-ASG-2013\_\_\_\_

# JOINT APPLICATION

TNCI Operating Company LLC ("TNCI" or "Assignee") and Pac-West Telecomm, Inc. ("Pac-West"), Tex-Link Communications, Inc. ("Tex-Link") and nWire, LLC ("nWire"), each a Debtor-In-Possession ("Assignors" or "Licensees," and collectively with TNCI, "Applicants"), pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Sections 63.04 and 63.24 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.04 & 63.24, respectfully request Commission approval for a transaction whereby TNCI will acquire certain of the assets (including the customers, but not the Section 214 authorizations) of Assignors through a sale pursuant to Section 363 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Transaction").<sup>1</sup> As a

In re Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Chapter 11, Case No. 13-10571, U.S. Bankr. Court (W.D. Texas); In re Tex-Link Communications, Inc., Chapter 11, Case No. 13-10572, U.S. Bankr. Court (W.D.

result of the Transaction, Assignors' customers will be transferred to TNCI, which will become the service provider for those customers. As described below, the Transaction will be virtually transparent to customers of Assignors in terms of the services that those customers receive and the rates and terms of those services.

In support of this Application, Applicants provide the following information:

## I. INTRODUCTION

On March 28, 2013, UPH Holdings, Inc. ("UPH") and its subsidiaries including Assignors (collectively, the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11, U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq., as amended, in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Texas, Austin Division (the "Bankruptcy Court"). Throughout the proceeding, Assignors have continued to operate their business and provide telecommunications services to their customers. After an auction process, the Debtors and TNCI entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement, dated as of July 3, 2013 (the "Agreement"), for TNCI to acquire certain of the assets of Debtors. The Bankruptcy Court approved the Agreement and Transaction on July 22, 2013. The Agreement and the Court's Sale Order provides for an Initial Closing following receipt of approvals from the Commission, and for additional closings at approximately 45-day intervals until the Final Closing, which will occur on or before the 180th day following the Initial Closing. At each closing, Assignors will assign to TNCI those assets and customers for which applicable state governmental approvals have been obtained. Given the Chapter 11 status of Assignors, Applicants submit that the public interest would be served by the prompt transition of the business to TNCI as quickly as possible, and therefore urge that the

Texas); In re nWire, LLC, Chapter 11, Case No. 13-10571, U.S. Bankr. Court (W.D. Texas). These Cases along with the Chapter 11 cases of Assignors' parent companies and affiliates are Jointly Administered under In re UPH Holdings, Inc., Chapter 11, Case No. 13-10571, U.S. Bankr. Court (W.D. Texas).

Commission promptly issue public notices establishing streamlined processing of the application to permit the transfer of the customers and assets at the earliest possible time.

### II. DESCRIPTION OF THE APPLICANTS

#### A. TNCI Operating Company, LLC

TNCI is a Delaware limited liability company with principal offices located at 114 E. Haley Street, Suite A, Santa Barbara, California 93101. TNCI is a wholly owned subsidiary of TNCI Holdings LLC ("TNCI Holdings"), a Delaware limited liability company that is wholly owned by investment funds (described in Section IV(h)) managed by Garrison Investment Group (collectively, the "Garrison Group"), a leading middle market investor.

As the Commission is aware, TNCI is in the process of acquiring substantially all of the assets of Trans National Communications International, Inc. (the "TNCII Transaction"). *See* WC Docket No. 13-78 and IB File No. ITC-ASG-20130315-00078 ("TNCII Transfer Application"). As a result of the closings of the TNCII Transaction that have occurred to date, TNCI currently provides interstate and international telecommunications throughout the United States and intrastate telecommunications services in the 25 states that have already issued their approvals. Upon completion of the TNCII Transaction, TNCI expects to provide intrastate telecommunications services in the District of Columbia and every state except Alaska.

TNCI is managed by individuals with significant experience in the telecommunications industry and therefore has the technical, operational and managerial qualifications to acquire the assets and customers of Assignors.

# B. Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Tex-Link Communications, Inc. and nWire, LLC (each a Debtor-In-Possession)

Pac-West is a California corporation and wholly owned direct subsidiary of UPH, a Delaware corporation. Tex-Link is a Texas corporation and wholly owned direct subsidiary of

Pac-West. nWire is a Delaware limited liability company and wholly owned direct subsidiary of UniPoint Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation and wholly owned direct subsidiary of UPH. UPH and its subsidiaries, including Assignors, have a principal place of business at 6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78730. Assignors offer origination and termination services, managed modern services, co-location, and transport primarily on a wholesale basis to other telecommunications carriers (Assignors also offer retail T-1 service to business/enterprise customers in Texas and limited number of business/enterprise customers in California).

Prior to filing for Chapter 11 protection, the following persons or entities owned or controlled a 10% or greater interest in UPH:

)	Name: Address:	UPTel Investments LLC ("UPTel") 6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200 Austin, Texas 78730
	Citizenship:	Texas
	Interest Owned:	37.01% (directly in UPH)
	Principal Business:	Holding Company
	Name:	JMH Partnership LP ("JMH")
	Address:	6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200
		Austin, Texas 78730
	Citizenship:	Texas
	Interest Owned:	44.33% (7.32% directly in UPH and 37.01% indirectly as
		sole member of UPTel)
	Principal Business:	Holding Company
	Name:	Holloway Family Trust
	Address:	6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200
		Austin, Texas 78730
	Citizenship:	Texas
	Interest Owne	d: 44.33% (as 95% limited partner of JMH)
	Principal Busi	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Name:	J. Michael Holloway
	Address:	6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200
		Austin, Texas 78730
	Citizenship:	United States
	Interest Owned	
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of the Holloway Family Trust) Principal Business: Individual

Name: CIT Group/Equity Investments, Inc. ("CIT GEI")
 Address: CIT Winding Services

 1 CIT Drive
 Livingston, NJ 07039
 Citizenship: New Jersey
 Interest Owned: 10.16% (directly in UPH)
 Principal Business: Financial Services

Name:	CIT Group, Inc.
Address:	CIT Winding Services
	1 CIT Drive
	Livingston, NJ 07039
Citizenship:	Delaware
Interest Owned:	10.16% (indirectly as 100% owner of CIT GEI)
Principal Business:	Financial Services

CIT is a publicly traded company (NYSE: CIT) and to Assignors' knowledge, no person or entity owns or controls 10% or more of Assignors through CIT.

3)	Name:	Pac-West Acquisition Company, LLC ("PWAC")
	Address:	c/o Columbia Ventures Corporation
		203 S.E. Park Plaza Drive, Suite 1270
		Vancouver, WA 98684
	Citizenship:	Washington
	Interest Owned:	29.29% (directly in UPH)
	Principal Business:	Holding Company
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Name:	Columbia Ventures Corporation ("CVC")
Address:	203 S.E. Park Plaza Drive, Suite 1270
	Vancouver, WA 98684
Citizenship:	Washington
Interest Owned:	29.29% (indirectly as 100% owner of PWAC)
Principal Business:	Telecommunications

Name:	Kenneth D. Peterson, Jr.
Address:	203 S.E. Park Plaza Drive, Suite 1270
	Vancouver, WA 98684
Citizenship:	United States
Interest Owned:	29.29% (indirectly as 100% owner of CVC)
Principal Business:	Individual

To Assignors' knowledge, no other person or entity owns or controls a 10% or greater interest in Assignors through UPH.

# **III.** DESCRIPTION OF THE TRANSACTION

Pursuant to the Agreement, TNCI will acquire certain of the assets of Assignors, including Assignors' customer accounts and contracts, telecommunications equipment. The Bankruptcy Court approved the Agreement and the Transaction contemplated thereby on July 22, 2013. The Agreement and Sale Order provides for an Initial Closing following receipt of approvals from the FCC, and for additional closings at approximately 45-day intervals until the Final Closing, which will occur no later than the 180th day following the Initial Closing. Pursuant to the Agreement and Sale Order, at each closing Pac-Assignors will assign to TNCI those customers accounts and contracts and assets for which applicable governmental approvals have been obtained.

In the interest of assuring seamless and uninterrupted service, all of the assigned customers will continue to receive service from TNCI under the same rates, terms and conditions of services as currently provided by Assignors. Except for a limited number of business/enterprise customers in California, Pac-West provides services only to wholesale carrier customers. nWire and Tex-Link primarily provide services to wholesale carrier customers, but also provide services to some business/enterprise customers in Texas. Assignors' contracts with those customers will be assigned to TNCI without any changes in their rates, terms or conditions. Future changes in the rates, terms and conditions of service to the affected customers will be undertaken pursuant to customer contracts and the applicable federal and state notice and tariff requirements.

# IV. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 63.24(e)

Pursuant to Section 63.24(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules, the Applicants submit the following information requested in Section 63.18 (a)-(d) and (h)-(p) in support of this Application:

# (a) Name, address and telephone number of each Applicant:

Assignee:

TNCI Operating Company LLC 114 E. Haley Street, Suite A Santa Barbara, CA 93101 805-560-7809 FRN: 0022522536

#### Assignors/Licensees

Pac-West Telecomm, Inc.HTex-Link Communications, Inc.HnWire, LLCH6500 River Place Blvd., Building 2, Suite 200Austin, Texas 78730512-735-1200

FRN: 0018520015 FRN: 0005025481 FRN: 0019997907

#### (b) Jurisdiction of Organizations:

Assignee:

TNCI-OpCo is a Delaware limited liability company.

Assignors/Licensees: Pac-West is a California corporation.

Tex-Link is a Texas corporation.

nWire is a Delaware limited liability company.

(c) (Answer to Question 10) Correspondence concerning this Application should be

#### sent to:

#### For Assignee:

Jean L. Kiddoo Brett P. Ferenchak Bingham McCutchen LLP 2020 K Street, N.W., Suite 1100 Washington, DC 20006-1806 202-373-6000 (tel) 202-373-6001 (fax) jean.kiddoo@bingham.com brett.ferenchak@bingham.com

#### For Assignors:

Sam Shiffman Executive Vice President UPH Holdings, Inc. 6500 River Place Blvd. Building 2, Suite 200 Austin, Texas 78730 209-444-1443 (tel) 512-735-1220 (fax) sshiffman@pointone.com

#### With a copy to:

Jeff Compton CEO/President TNCI Operating Company LLC 114 E. Haley Street, Suite A Santa Barbara, CA 93101 jcompton@bluecasa.com

#### With a copy to:

Michael Holloway Chief Executive Officer UPH Holdings, Inc. 6500 River Place Blvd. Building 2, Suite 200 Austin, Texas 78730 512-735-1206 (tel) 512-735-1220 (fax) mholloway@pointone.com

#### (d) Section 214 Authorizations

- Assignce: TNCI holds international Section 214 authority to provide global and limited global resale and facilities-based services pursuant to authority granted in IB File No. ITC-214-20030414-00187.<sup>2</sup> TNCI is authorized to provide interstate service by virtue of blanket domestic Section 214 authority. 47 C.F.R. § 63.01.
- <u>Licensees:</u> Pac-West holds international Section 214 authority to provide resold switched services granted by the Commission in IB File No. ITC-214-19920215-00122 (Old File No. ITC-92-160). Pac-West's international Section 214 authority is not being assigned to TNCI as part of the Transaction and should remain with Pac-West upon consummation.

Pac-West, Tex-Link and nWire are authorized to provide interstate service by virtue of blanket domestic Section 214 authority. 47 C.F.R. § 63.01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> TNCI recently obtained its international Section 214 authority as part of its acquisition of Trans National Communications International, Inc. *See* IB File No. ITC-ASG-20130315-00078.

Assignors recently filed a notification regarding the pro forma assignment of their Section 214 authorizations as a result of Assignors' bankruptcy filing.

(h) (Answer to Questions 11 & 12) The following entities hold, directly or indirectly,

a 10% or greater interest<sup>3</sup> in Assignee, as calculated pursuant to the Commission's ownership

attribution rules for wireline and international telecommunications carriers:

#### **Ownership of Assignee:**

The following entities hold a ten percent (10%) or greater, direct or indirect interest in **TNCI Operating Company LLC:** 

Name:	TNCI Holdings LLC ("TNCI Holdings")
Address:	114 E. Haley Street, Suite A
	Santa Barbara, CA 93101
Citizenship:	U.S.
Principal Business:	Holding Company
% Interest:	100%

The following entities hold a ten percent (10%) or greater, direct or indirect interest in **TNCI Holdings LLC:** 

Name:	GOF II RE LLC		
Address:	c/o Garrison Investment Group		
	1350 Avenue of the Americas		
	Suite 905		
	New York, NY 10019		
Citizenship:	U.S.		
Principal Business:	Investment		
% Interest:	64.25% (directly in TNCI Holdings)		
Name: Address; Citizenship:	Garrison Opportunity Fund II A LLC ("GOF-II-A") c/o Garrison Investment Group 1350 Avenue of the Americas Suite 905 New York, NY 10019 U.S.		
Principal Bus	iness: Investment		
% Interest:	64.25% (indirectly in TNCI Holdings as 100% owner of (100% voting interest in) GOF II RE LLC)		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Unless otherwise indicated, the ownership interests provided herein represent both equity and voting interests.

Name:			Garrison Opportunity Fund MM II A LLC ("GOF-MM-II-A")
	Address: Citizenship: Principal Business: % Interest: Name:		c/o Garrison Investment Group 1350 Avenue of the Americas Suite 905
			New York, NY 10019 U.S.
			Investment
			64.25% (indirectly in TNCI Holdings as managing member of (0% equity interest in) GOF-II-A)
			Garrison Opportunity Fund II A Holdings MM LLC ("GOF-II-A-Holdings")
	Address:		c/o Garrison Investment Group
			1350 Avenue of the Americas
			Suite 905
			New York, NY 10019
	Citizenship:		U.S.
Principal Business: % Interest:		iness:	Investment
			64.25% (indirectly in TNCI Holdings as managing member of (100% equity interest in) GOF-MM-II- A)
Name:		Garriso	on Opportunity Fund III A LLC ("GOF-III-A")
Addres	S:		rrison Investment Group
			Avenue of the Americas
		Suite 9	005
		New Y	fork, NY 10019
Citizenship: U.S.			
	al Business:	Investr	
% Inter	est:	35.75%	6 (directly in TNCI Holdings)
	Name:		Garrison Opportunity Fund II A MM LLC ("GOF-III-A-MM")
	Address:		c/o Garrison Investment Group
			1350 Avenue of the Americas
			Suite 905
			New York, NY 10019
	Citizenship:		U.S.
	Principal Busir		Investment
(	% Interest:		35.75% (indirectly in TNCI Holdings as managing member of (0% equity interest in) GOF-III-A)

Name:	Garrison Opportunity Fund III A Holdings MM
	LLC
	("GOF-III-A-Holdings")
Address:	c/o Garrison Investment Group
	1350 Avenue of the Americas
	Suite 905
	New York, NY 10019
Citizenship:	U.S.
Principal Business:	Investment
% Interest:	35.75% (indirectly in TNCI Holdings as managing
	member of (100% equity interest in) GOF-III-A-
	MM)

Joseph Tansey and Steven Stuart each hold 25% of the equity and 50% of the voting rights in GOF-II-A-Holdings and GOF-III-A-Holdings. Mr. Tansey and Mr. Stuart are U.S. citizens and can be reached at the same address as the Garrison Group.

To the Assignee's knowledge, no other person or entity, directly or indirectly, owns or controls a 10% or greater interest in TNCI Holdings through the Garrison Group.

Assignee does not have any interlocking directorates with a foreign carrier.

(i) (Answer to Question 14) Assignee certifies that Assignee is not a foreign carrier,

nor is Assignee affiliated with foreign carriers, nor will Assignee become affiliated with foreign

carriers as a result of this transaction.

(j) (Answer to Question 15) Assignee certifies that Assignee does not seek to

provide international telecommunications services to any destination country where:

- (1) Assignee is a foreign carrier in that country; or
- (2) Assignce controls a foreign carrier in that country; or
- (3) Any entity that owns more than 25 percent of Assignee, or that controls Assignee, controls a foreign carrier in that country; or
- (4) Two or more foreign carriers (or parties that control foreign carriers) own, in the aggregate more than 25 percent of Assignee and are parties to, or the beneficiaries of, a contractual relation affecting the provision or marketing or international basic telecommunications services in the United States.
- (k) Not applicable.

(I) Not applicable.

(m) Not applicable.

(n) Assignee certifies that it had not agreed to accept special concessions directly or indirectly from any foreign carrier with respect to any U.S. international route where the foreign carrier possesses market power on the foreign end of the route and will not enter into such agreements in the future.

(o) Assignee certifies that it is not subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1998. See 21 U.S.C. § 853a; see also 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001-1.2003.

(p) Assignee respectfully submits that this Application is eligible for streamlined processing pursuant to Section 63.12(a)-(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12(a)-(b). Assignee qualifies for streamlined treatment under Section 63.12(c)(1) because Assignee is not itself, or affiliated with, a foreign carrier and none of the scenarios outlined in Section 63.12(c) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.12(c), applies.

# V. INFORMATION REQUIRED BY SECTION 63.04

Pursuant to Commission Rule 63.04(b), 47 C.F.R. § 63.04(b), Applicants submit the following information in support of their request for domestic Section 214 authority to assign the assets of TNCI-DIP to TNCI-OpCo in order to address the requirements set forth in Commission Rule 63.04(a)(6)-(12):

(a)(6) A description of the proposed Transaction is set forth in Section III above.

(a)(7) (i) Pac-West provides telecommunications services in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Texas, Utah and Washington. Tex-Link and nWire provide telecommunications services in Texas. In each of these states, Assignors are authorized to

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provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services. In addition, Pac-West is authorized to provide local exchange and/or interexchange telecommunications services in Alabama, Delaware (local exchange only), the District of Columbia (local exchange only), Florida, Georgia (local exchange only), Illinois, Indiana (local exchange only), Kansas (local exchange only), Kentucky (local exchange only), Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota (local exchange only), Michigan (local exchange only), Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania (competitive access only), Tennessee, Virginia (through its subsidiary Pac-West Telecomm of Virginia, Inc.) and Wisconsin. nWire is also authorized to provide local exchange services in Arkansas and Oklahoma.

(ii) As a result of the closings of the TNCII Transaction that have occurred to date, TNCI currently provides interstate and international telecommunications throughout the United States and intrastate telecommunications services in the following 25 jurisdictions: Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas, Vermont, Washington and Wisconsin. In addition, TNCI is authorized but does not yet provide local exchange and/or intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the following jurisdictions: Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa (interexchange only), Maine, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah (interexchange only) and Virginia. At the next closing of the TNCII Transaction, TNCI expects to begin providing intrastate telecommunications services in the District of Columbia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Newada, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Newada, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa,

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Tennessee, Utah and Virginia. Upon completion of the TNCII Transaction, TNCI expects to provide intrastate telecommunications services in every state except Alaska.

(iii) To its knowledge, TNCI-OpCo is not affiliated through the Garrison Group with any other telecommunications carrier.<sup>4</sup>

(a)(8) Applicants respectfully submit that this Application is eligible for streamlined processing pursuant to Sections 63.03 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.03. In particular, with respect to domestic authority, this Application is eligible for streamlined processing pursuant to Section 63.03(b)(2)(i) because, immediately following the transaction, Assignee (and its Affiliates) will have a market share in the interstate, interexchange market of less than 10 percent, and the Assignee (and its Affiliates) will provide competitive telephone exchange services or exchange access services (if at all) exclusively in geographic areas served by a dominant local exchange carrier that is not a party to the transaction, and none of the Applicants (or their Affiliates) are dominant with respect to any service.

(a)(9) Other than its section 214 authorizations described in this Application, Licensee does not hold any other authorizations or licenses from the Commission. Therefore, no other applications are being filed with the Commission with respect to this Transaction.

(a)(10) Since March 28, 2013, Assignors been operating under the protection of the Bankruptcy Court. The Bankruptcy Court approved the Transaction on July 22, 2013. The Asset Purchase Agreement between the Parties and the Court's Sale Order provides for an Initial Closing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Applicants note that Mr. Jeffrey Compton, TNCI-OpCo's President and Chief Executive Officer and a member of its Board of Directors, also serves as Chief Executive Officer and is a co-owner (50%) and Director of Blue Casa Telephone, LLC ("Blue Casa"), a non-dominant local and long distance provider offering services in California. Mr. Howard Brand, the other co-owner and a Director of Blue Casa, also holds a seat on the Board of TNCI-OpCo but is not an officer of TNCI-OpCo. Although Mr. Compton and Mr. Brand are interlocking directors of the two companies, there is no ownership affiliation between the two entities and the majority of TNCI-OpCo's Board was appointed by the Garrison Group.

following receipt of approvals from the FCC, and for additional closings at approximately 45-day intervals until the Final Closing, which will occur on or before the 180th day following the Initial Closing. At each closing, Assignors will assign to TNCI those assets and customers for which applicable state governmental approvals have been obtained. Given the Chapter 11 status of Assignors, Applicants submit that the public interest would be served by the prompt transition of the business to TNCI as quickly as possible, and therefore urge that the Commission promptly commence its examination of the Transaction and issue its public notice so that it can be in a position to approve the transaction as soon as possible and no later than the Initial Closing on or before September 5, 2013.

(a)(11) Not applicable.

(a)(12) Applicants respectfully submit that the proposed Transaction serves the public interest. The Transaction will result in the assignment of Assignors customers to a financially stable company that will continue to provide telecommunications services to such assigned customers without interruption. TNCI's operations are overseen by a well-qualified management team with substantial telecommunications experience and technical expertise. In addition, the proposed Transaction is structured to assure an orderly transition of customers from Assignors to TNCI. In accordance with the terms of their service contracts and the rules and procedures of the Commission and applicable state(s), customers will be properly notified of the proposed transaction and the change in their telecommunications provider from Assignors to TNCI. TNCI will separately file a certification that it will comply with the Commission's procedures set forth in Section 64.1120(e) of the Commission's Rules regarding the acquisition of customers, along with the sample customer notification letters.

## VI. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, Applicants respectfully submit that the public interest, convenience, and necessity would be furthered by a grant of this Application for the assignment of certain of the including the customers, but not the Section 214 authorizations) of Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., Tex-Link Communications, Inc. and nWire, LLC to TNCI Operating Company LLC.

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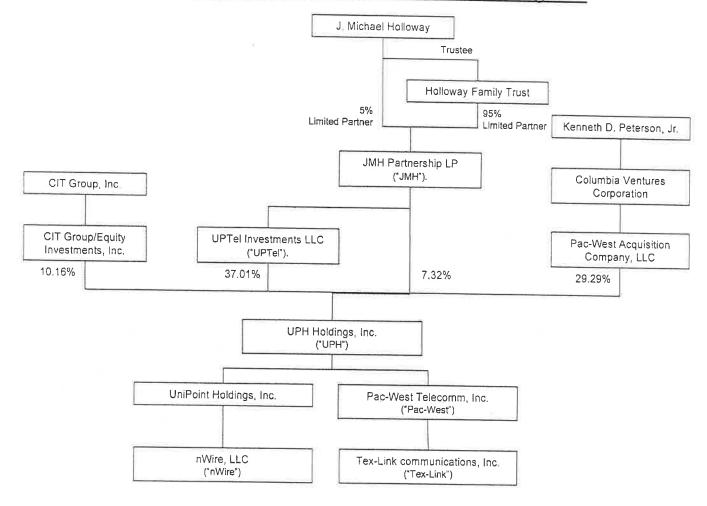
Corporate Organization Structure of Assignee

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# Current Organizational Structure of Assignors

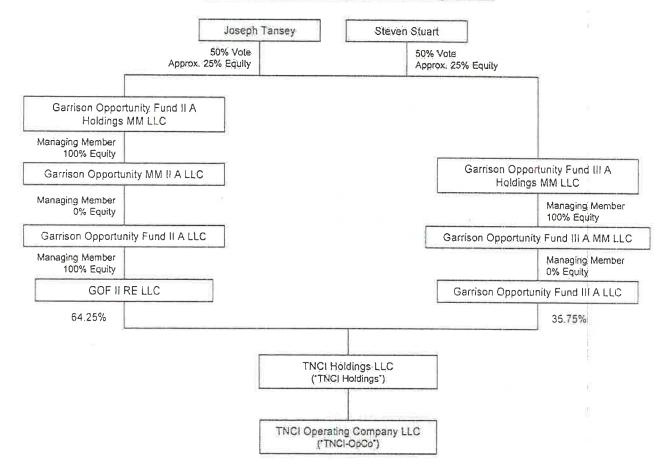
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# Corporate Organizational Structure of TNCI Operating Company LLC



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