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VIA ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Attn: International Bureau

**RE: Advanced Network Communications (and Long Lines Communications
and Long Lines, LLC) Notification of *Pro Forma* Transaction**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Advanced Network Communications, L.L.C. (“Advanced”), in conjunction with Long Lines Communications and Long Lines, LLC (jointly, “the Parties”), by counsel, submit this Notification of Pro Forma Transfer, pursuant to Section 63.24(d) of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. 63.24(d).

As described in prior filings with the Commission, in 2005 Schaller Telephone (“Schaller”) transferred a 50% interest in ANC to Long Lines, LLC pursuant to a joint venture arrangement between Schaller and Long Lines, LLC. At the time Advanced did not hold an international 214 authorization, but has since applied for that authorization (currently pending in ICFS File No. ITC-214-20220325-00043). Advanced is a limited liability company organized under the laws of Iowa, and currently provides high-capacity video, intrastate telecommunications services, exchange access services, and domestic interstate telecommunications services as a competitive local exchange carrier in the town of Correctionville, Ida Grove, Holstein and Anthon exchanges (fewer than 500 access lines) in Ida and Woodbury Counties in rural northwest Iowa, pursuant to blanket domestic Section 214 authority.

Long Lines, LLC holds blanket domestic 214 authority and international 214 authority File No. ITC-214-20060724-00362 and provides telecommunications services to customers in Iowa. Long Lines Communications is a Delaware limited liability company organized as a holding company for ILECs, CLECs and cable providers offering broadband, video and voice services in sixteen communities in Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota. As a holding company, Long Lines Communications does not hold international or domestic 214 authority.

By this *pro forma* notice filing the Parties provide the Commission notice of a 2006 corporate reorganization related to Advanced (as a result of Long Lines, LLC’s 50% interest), pursuant to which Long Lines Communications was formed and inserted in the ownership structure as the direct parent of Long Lines, LLC. At that time, each of the equity interest holders in Long Lines, LLC exchanged their interests for an equal ownership in Long Lines

Communications, LLC, which thereby became the 100 percent owner of Long Lines, LLC. From the period between 2006 until 2015, Long Lines Communications was the direct parent of Long Lines, LLC.

The parent-subsidary relationship between the two companies is reflected in Exhibit A of the domestic 214 transfer of control application filed by Schurz and Schaller on June 30, 2022, in WC Docket 22-249. The Wireline Competition Bureau consented to that application on November 28, 2022.¹ In 2015, Schurz acquired Long Lines, LLC from Long Lines Communications. Pursuant to a Membership Interest Purchase Agreement dated as of January 15, 2015, Schurz Communications, Inc. agreed to purchase 100% of the equity ownership interests of Long Lines, LLC from Long Lines Communications. The transaction closed in 2015.² Subsequent to the close of the transaction Long Lines Communications proceeded to wind down its operations and subsequently dissolved in 2016.

As required by Section 63.24(f)(2) of the Commission's rules the Parties provide the following information required by 63.18(a) through (d), and (h), of the rules:

Section 63.18(a): Name, address and telephone number of Advanced Network Communications, L.L.C.

Advanced Network Communications, L.L.C.
504 4th Street
Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054
Attn: Paul Bergmann, President
Telephone: (712) 271-4000
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Section 63.18(b): Advanced is an Iowa limited liability company.

Section 63.18(c): Correspondence concerning this filing should be sent to:

Advanced Network Communications, L.L.C.
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¹ See Public Notice, Domestic Section 214 Applications Granted for the Transfer of Control of Advanced network Communications, L.L.C., WC Dockets 22-14, 22-144, 22-249, DA 22-1228 (rel. Nov. 28, 2022).

² The parties secured FCC approval for the transfer of control of Long Lines, LLC's international 214 application in 2015 prior to close of the transaction. See File No. ITC-T/C-20150206-00038, approved by the International Bureau on February 19, 2015. See Public Notice of International Authorizations Granted, DA 15-225 (rel. Feb. 19, 2015). An application seeking consent for the 2015 transfer of control of the domestic 214 application was approved by the Wireline Competition Bureau on November 28, 2022. See *id.*

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Section 63.18(d): Advanced does not hold an international 214 authorization, but has applied for that authorization (currently pending in ICFS File No. ITC-214-20220325-00043).

Section 63.18(h): The name, address, citizenship and principal business activity of any person have a 10% or greater interest in Advanced is set forth in Exhibits A & B.

There are no interlocking officers or directors to report.

For the reasons discussed herein, a grant of consent for the pro forma transfer of control of Advanced would be consistent with public interest considerations and is respectfully requested. Should you have any questions about this matter or require additional information please contact the undersigned at your convenience. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

10% or Greater Interest Holders in Long Lines, LLC **(Which Holds a 50% Interest in Advanced)**

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the entities that will have ten percent (10%) or greater equity ownership and voting control of the Transferee, Long Lines, LLC **as of 2005** (the date that the restructuring occurred) are as follows:

Name:	Calco, Inc.
Address:	504 4 th Street Sergeant Bluff, IA 51054
Principal Business:	Holding company
Citizenship:	Iowa corporation
% Interest Held:	100% direct interest in Transferee
FRN:	0002581288

Name:	Charles A. Long
Address:	No. 90 Sunset Drive North Sioux City, SD 57409
Principal Business:	Founder and Operator of Calco, Inc.
Citizenship:	United States
% Interest Held:	100% indirect interest in Transferee
FRN:	N/A

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the entities that will have ten percent (10%) or greater equity ownership and voting control of Long Lines, LLC **as of the date this filing** are as follows:

Name:	IH Orbitel, Inc.
Address:	1301 E. Douglas Road, Suite 200 South Bend, IN 46545
Principal Business:	Holding company that owns operating subsidiaries that provide a range of communications services.
Citizenship:	Indiana corporation
% Interest Held:	100% direct interest
FRN:	0008095655

Name: Schurz Communications, Inc.
Address: 1301 E. Douglas Road, Suite 200
South Bend, IN 46545
Principal Business: Holding company that owns subsidiary holding companies which own operating subsidiaries that provide a range of communications services.
Citizenship: Indiana corporation
% Interest Held: 100% indirect interest
FRN: 0008712937

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the persons and entities that will have ten percent (10%) or greater equity ownership and voting control of Schurz Communications after the proposed transaction are:

Name: Schurz Communications, Inc. Voting Trust Agreement
Address: c/o Schurz Communications, Inc.
1301 E. Douglas Road
Mishawaka, IN 46545
%Held: 75.17% indirect interest
FRN: 0019981125
Trustees: Todd F. Schurz, U.S. citizen, FRN 0019312420
Scott C. Schurz, U.S. citizen, FRN 0019312396
Franklin D. Schurz, U.S. citizen, FRN 0019312347

As identified above, the Schurz Communications Voting Trust Agreement (“Voting Trust”) holds a 75.17% voting interest in Schurz Communications. There are no trustees of the Voting Trust with a voting interest of 10% or greater. The beneficiaries of the Voting Trust with a voting interest of 10% or greater are provided below:

Name: Franklin D. Schurz, Jr.
Address: 389 Derek Way
Bozeman, MT 59718
Citizenship: U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Trustee
% Interest Held: 28%

Name: Kathryn F. Schurz
Address: 50 Coe Road, Unit 226

Citizenship: Belleair, FL 33756
U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Trustee, and Chairman of Schurz Communications
% Interest Held: 19%

Name: Mary Ann Schurz
Address: 10713 Bratton Ct.
Williamsport, MD 21795-1434
Citizenship: U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Shareholder
% Interest Held: 19%

Name: Laura E. Ray
Address: 17565 Green Oaks Ct.
Granger, IN 46530-6921
Citizenship: U.S. Citizen
Principal Business: Trustee and Shareholder
% Interest Held: 15%

There is no other entity or individual with a ten percent (10%) or greater direct or indirect ownership or voting interest in Transferee or its direct or indirect parent entities, or any other telecommunications provider.

Exhibit B

10% or Greater Interest Holders in Schaller Telephone Company **(Which Holds a 50% Interest in Advanced)**

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the persons and entities that directly or indirectly own at least ten percent (10%) of the equity of Advanced Network Communications, other than Transferee, Long Lines, LLC, **as of 2005** (the date that the restructuring occurred) are as follows:

Name:	Schaller Telephone Company
Address:	111 West Second Street Schaller, IA 51053
Principal Business:	Telecommunications carrier
% Interest Held:	27.5% direct ownership interest
Citizenship:	Iowa corporation

Name:	Comserv, Ltd.
Address:	111 West Second Street Schaller, IA 51053
Principal Business:	Cable television provider
% Interest Held:	22.5% direct ownership interest
Citizenship:	Iowa corporation

As of 2005, Schaller Telephone Company held a 99.20% direct interest in Comserv, Ltd., which (as disclosed above) itself held a 22.5% direct ownership interest in Advanced Network Communications.

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the persons and entities that directly or indirectly own at least ten percent (10%) of the equity of Schaller Telephone Company, **as of 2005** were as follows:

Name:	Steven S. Reimers
Address:	111 West Second Street, PO Box 9 Schaller, IA 51053
Citizenship:	United States (Iowa)
Principal Business:	Shareholder and officer
% Interest:	23.65% direct ownership interest

Name: Glen Reimers Trust:
Address: 111 West Second Street, PO Box 9
Schaller, IA 51053
Citizenship: United States (Iowa)
Principal Business: Investment activities
% Interest Held: 70.27% direct ownership interest
Trustee: JoAnn Reimers, U.S. citizen

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the persons and entities that directly or indirectly own at least ten percent (10%) of the equity of Advanced Network Communications, other than Transferee, Long Lines, LLC, as of the date of this filing are as follows:

Name: Schaller Telephone Company
Address: 111 West Second Street, PO Box 9
Schaller, IA 51053
Citizenship: United States (Iowa)
Principal Business: Telecommunications
% Interest: 50% direct ownership interest

The name, address, citizenship, and principal business of the persons and entities that directly or indirectly own at least ten percent (10%) of the equity of Schaller Telephone Company, as of the date of this filing are as follows:

Name: Steven S. Reimers Family Trust
Address: 111 West Second Street
Schaller, IA 51053
Principal Business: Shareholder
% Interest Held: 40%
Trustee: JoAnn Reimers, U.S. citizen

Name: Melissa Kestel
Address: 111 West Second Street
Schaller, IA 51053
Principal Business: Shareholder and officer
% Interest Held: 60%

There is no other entity or individual with a ten percent (10%) or greater direct or indirect ownership or voting interest in Schaller Telephone Company or its direct or indirect parent entities.

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