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To Whom It May Concern:

The attached applications have been filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) seeking the FCC's consent to the transfer of control of National Telemanagement Corporation from Illuminet Holdings, Inc. to VeriSign, Inc.

National Telemanagement Corporation resells the services of non-affiliated wireless carriers and provides both domestic interstate and international voice services pursuant to authorization previously granted by the FCC.

The transfer of control of National Telemanagement Corporation will occur as the result of the merger of Illuminet Holdings, Inc. with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of VeriSign, Inc.

Pursuant to Section 1.763 of the FCC's rules (47 C.F.R. 1.763) copies of these applications are to be served upon the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the governors and regulatory agencies of the states involved.

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National Telemanagement Corporation ("NTC"), Illuminet Holdings, Inc. ("Illuminet Holdings") and VeriSign, Inc. ("VeriSign") (collectively, "Applicants") hereby jointly request authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.18, to transfer control of NTC, a holder of international Section 214 authority, from Illuminet Holdings (NTC's parent) to VeriSign.¹

As discussed below, this application is entitled to streamlined processing pursuant to Section 63.12 of the Commission's Rules. The Section 214 authorization to be transferred is for resale only, and none of the Applicants is affiliated with any domestic or international carrier whose services NTC seeks authority to resell.

This application is being filed in preparation for the proposed merger of Illuminet

Holdings with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of VeriSign. Upon completion of the merger,

NTC (now a wholly-owned subsidiary of Illuminet Holdings) will become an indirect wholly-

owned subsidiary of VeriSign. Authority for the proposed transfer of control is requested so that the international resale authorization can continue to be used to promote the public interest in the provision of wireless roaming services to the public.

Accordingly, this application requests Commission consent to the transfer of control of NTC from Illuminet Holdings to VeriSign.

I. **Description of the Parties**

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¹ An application requesting Commission authority for the transfer of control of the blanket domestic 214 authorization held by NTC dba American Roaming Network is being filed contemporaneously herewith. ² NTC is also engaged in other lines of business where it does not serve as a telecommunications carrier. For example, it provides prepaid wireless services including real-time account management, to wireless carriers,

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The transaction will result in no countervailing competitive harms.

IV. Information Required by Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules

The following information, required by Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R.

§63.18, is submitted by the Applicants in support of their application for transfer of control. The

information is labeled according to the rule subsection to which it is responsive:

(a) Names, addresses and telephone numbers of the Applicants:

National Telemanagement Corporation dba American Roaming Network 2777 Stemmons Freeway, Suite 700 Dallas, TX 75207 (214) 640-4101

Illuminet Holdings, Inc. 4501 Intelco Loop Lacey, Washington 98503 (360) 493-6000

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- (d) National Telemanagement Corporation dba 1-800-Call USA was previously granted Section 214 international authorization effective January 28, 2000. See File No. ITC-214-20000103-00007. This authority was cancelled effective June 28, 2000. Except for the above authorization and the global resale authorization presently held by NTC dba American Roaming Network which is the subject of this application, neither Illuminet Holdings nor VeriSign, nor any of their respective subsidiaries, has received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.
- (e) This application seeks authority for the transfer of control of the global resale Section 214 authority currently held by NTC dba American Roaming Network pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18 (e)(2) of the Commission's Rules.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) The name, address, citizenship and principal business of the sole shareholder that controls ten percent or more of VeriSign, Inc. is as follows:

Massachusetts Financial Services Company 500 Boylston Street Boston, MA 02116 Principal Business: Investment Adviser

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- (i) VeriSign certifies that it is not affiliated with any foreign or U.S. facilities-based carrier.
- (j) VeriSign certifies that it does not seek to provide international telecommunications services to any country in which any of the statements in Sections 63.18 (j)(1) through (4) are true.
- (k) Not applicable.
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- (m) Not applicable.
- (n) VeriSign certifies it has 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) VeriSign certifies, pursuant to §§ 1.2001 through 1.2003 of the Commission's Rules that no party to this application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.
- (p) This application is eligible for streamlined processing pursuant to Section 63.12 of the Commission's Rules. None of the factors which would render this application ineligible for streamlined processing are present. VeriSign is not affiliated with any foreign carrier. See 47 C.F.R. §63.12(c)(1). VeriSign has no affiliation with a dominant U.S. carrier whose international switched or private line services VeriSign seeks authority to resell. See 47 C.F.R. §63.12(c)(2). Finally, VeriSign does not seek authority to provide switched services over private lines to a country for which the Commission has not previously authorized the provision of switched services over private lines. See 47 C.F.R. §63.12(c)(3).

Conclusion

For the above reasons, NTC, Illuminer Holdings and VeriSign respectfully submit that the public interest, convenience and necessity would be furthered by a grant of this application to transfer control of NTC from Illuminet Holdings to VeriSign.

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