

December 18, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Thomas Sullivan
Chief, International Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: TelePuente, LLC
Negotiations Status Report
IB Docket No. 10-95

Dear Mr. Sullivan:

TelePuente, LLC (“TelePuente”), hereby submits this status report on its negotiations regarding the provision of communications services to Cuba.

On January 23, 2013, the International Bureau released a Public Notice granting TelePuente authorization to provide facilities-based service to Cuba.¹ In the same Public Notice, the Bureau acknowledged that TelePuente had agreed to accept the terms and conditions for a waiver of the Federal Communications Commission’s benchmark rate applicable to Cuba set forth in the Commission’s April 8, 2011 Memorandum Opinion and Order.² One condition of this waiver was that TelePuente must negotiate a written agreement for the provision of service to Cuba and “report to the International Bureau the status of its negotiations every 90 days after the effective date” of the waiver.³

TelePuente reports that it continues discussions regarding technical and contractual aspects of the provision of international communications services to Cuba pursuant to the terms of the Waiver Order. TelePuente maintains regular contact with the Cuban parties, and these discussions are expected to lead to negotiation of a written agreement, as required under the Waiver Order.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this report.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Paul A. Moore

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¹ International Authorizations Granted, Report No. TEL-01600, *Public Notice*, 28 FCC Rcd 351 (2013).

² *Id.*; see also IConnect Wholesale, Inc., d/b/a/ TeleCuba, Petition for Waiver of the International Settlements Policy and Benchmark Rate for Facilities-Based Telecommunications Services with Cuba, IB Docket No. 10-95, IBFS File No. ISP-WAV-20100412-00007, *Memorandum Opinion and Order*, 26 FCC Rcd 5217 (2011) (“Waiver Order”).

³ Waiver Order, 26 FCC Rcd at 5228 ¶ 31.