

Belize seeks to purchase fiber optic cable company



Overview

On June 4, 2025, Belize Telemedia Limited (BTL) responded to reports suggesting it plans to acquire SMART, Centaur Communications, and CTI/NEXGEN in a major consolidation of telephone, cable, and internet service providers. In a press release, BTL confirmed that while discussions about industry. By Aaron Humes: While Belize Telemedia Limited (BTL) says there has been talk, a lot of it, but no action on a potential buyout of Speednet Communications and local cable companies, eyes are on how the family of Prime Minister John Briceño, shareholders in both Speednet and Centaur Communications. In recent months, significant public attention has focused on the proposed acquisition by BTL of several cable and broadband operators, including Speednet Communication limited (Speednet), Centaur Communications Limited (Centaur), and CTI/NexGen. Much of the debate has centered on concerns about. Belize Fiber Optic Cable market currently, in 2023, has witnessed an HHI of 2234, Which has decreased substantially as compared to the HHI of 9375 in 2017. The market is moving towards moderately competitive. Herfindahl index measures the competitiveness of exporting countries. —parent company of SMART and closely aligned with some of the highest-ranking figures in the Briceño Administration—has filed a lawsuit against the Government of Belize over its controversial ConnectEd internet. under 25, still watch cable. The potential for cheaper and better services could be a big win for users of telecommunication products.

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BTL Eyes Major Telecom Buyout, Transparency Questioned After months of rumors and closed door speculation, the silence is finally broken. Belize Telemedia Limited Chairman Markhelm Lizarraga has confirmed that BTL is

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For the first time after months of rumors, Belize Telemedia Limited has publicly confirmed what industry insiders have long

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His family stands to make tens of millions in such a buyout of both SMART, of which they own about 20% and Centaur which is a Briceno owned cable and internet enterprise. The Chairman of BTL, Mark Lizarraga is also the

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Following an announcement on January 9th that Belize Telemedia Limited (BTL) was considering the acquisition of SMART, along with cable

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In the end, this transaction is not really about television or cable, or even about competition between companies. It is about whether Belize will build

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BTL-Speednet merger coming soon? P.M. says Belize's interest must

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After the collapse, BTL fast-tracked the groundwork to physically connect with TelMex in Mexico using fiber optic cable on the MAYA-1 route. But before that could be done, ARCOS-1 was

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