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**Re: Maritime Telecommunications Network, Inc.
Renewal of Experimental Authorization
Call Sign KI2XEE**

Dear Sir or Madam:

Maritime Telecommunications Network, Inc. ("MTN") hereby submits, in triplicate, its Application for Renewal of Radio Station License on FCC Form 405, requesting renewal of its experimental authorization to operate 45 Shipboard Earth Stations ("SESS") under Call Sign KI2XEE. Enclosed is a check made payable to the Federal Communications Commission in the amount of \$45.00 as the filing fee.

MTN clarifies that rather than listing specific U.S. domestic satellites with which it communicates, its authorization should be designated as permitting communicating with "ALSAT" (in addition to the other satellites listed in its authorization). This request is consistent with the Commission's decision to eliminate its separate satellite policy.¹ A specific list of the U.S. domestic satellites with which MTN has currently coordinated is available upon request.

MTN also reminds the Commission that in July 1998, it requested that its experimental authority include communication with satellites owned by New Skies Satellite, N.V. ("New Skies"); these satellites are in the process of being transferred to New Skies from Intelsat. Specifically, MTN respectfully requests that its authorization reflect its intent to communicate with New Skies satellite 513 (at 183° E.L.) and New Skies satellite 803 (at 338.5° E.L.).

In addition, on July 25, 1997, MTN requested that the Commission expand its authority pursuant to Call Sign KI2XEE to permit operation of 250 SESSs. The Commission denied MTN's request on November 21, 1997. MTN filed a Petition for Partial Reconsideration on December 19,

¹ *Amendment to the Commission's Regulatory Policies Governing Domestic Fixed Satellites and Separate Satellite Systems & DBSC Petition for Declaratory Rulemaking Regarding the Use of Transponders to Provide International DBS Service, Report & Order, FCC 96-14, 11 FCC Rcd 2429 (1996).*

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1997. The Commission has not yet acted on this Petition. MTN respectfully requests that the Petition for Partial Reconsideration be maintained under review and consideration, and attaches hereto a copy of the Petition for the Commission's convenience.

Please date stamp and return the enclosed copy of this filing. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,



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