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Mr. Doug Young
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Federal Communication Commission
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Re: Hughes Network Systems LLC
Application for Experimental License
File No. 0011-EX-PL-2006

Dear Mr. Young:

This letter addresses two matters that were raised during discussions with the Commission staff regarding the referenced experimental license application. First, at the request of Commission staff, Hughes Network Systems LLC ("Hughes") would like to provide the following additional information concerning its plan to use the Hughes "Satcom on the Move" ("SOTM") program. Hughes does not plan to operate its SOTM program in the vicinity of certain sensitive U.S. Government Ku-band operations. Nonetheless, in the unlikely event that at some point during the term of the Experimental license, Hughes needs to operate SOTM in the frequency bands and geographic locations listed below, Hughes commits not to commence such operations without first coordinating these uses with the National Telecommunication and Information Administration ("NTIA") Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee ("IRAC") or with the specific facility as per the Quiet Zone rules.

The frequency bands and geographic locations where Hughes will not operate without first coordinating with NTIA and IRAC are as follows:

1. In the 14.0-14.2 GHz frequency band within 125 km of the NASA TDRSS facilities on Guam or White Sands, New Mexico, or within 125 km of any future NASA TDRSS facility that may be brought into use and where notice is provided by means of Commission Public Notice.
2. In the 14.47-14.5 GHz frequency band within 45km of the radio observatory on St. Croix, Virgin Islands; within 125 km of the radio observatory on Mauna Kea, Hawaii; or within 90 km of the Arecibo Observatory on Puerto Rico.



Second, following discussions with the Commission staff, it was brought to Hughes' attention that there might be delays in a processing this application as a result of Hughes' request to access the newly-launched Satmex-6 satellite as one of several points of communication for the proposed SOTM terminals. The request by the operator of this spacecraft for the inclusion of Satmex-6 on the FCC's Permitted List is currently pending before the Commission. In order to ensure that the grant of this application is not delayed, Hughes requests the removal of Satmex-6 as a point of communication from its pending application. Once the Commission has reached a favorable decision on the pending Satmex-6 application, Hughes will seek to modify its requested license to include Satmex-6 as a point of communication.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns regarding this additional information.

Respectfully submitted,

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