



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Gary L. Pierce
Vice President
Shell Communications, Inc.
P.O. Box 20329
Houston, TX 77225

RE: Experimental Application File No: 1697-EX-PL-90
Signature Date: October 10, 1990

Dear Mr. Pierce:

The above referenced application has been pending with the FCC for a considerable period awaiting approval from the International Bureau of the FCC granting COMSAT authority to service the Inmarsat equipment listed in your application. To date we have been unable to obtain the necessary clearance, hence the delay in granting the license.

If you have received a letter issued to Comsat Mobile Communications, giving them permission to serve the Inmarsat equipment in your application, please send us a copy and we will resume processing your application. If you have not received such a letter, and the requirement for this operation still exists, please contact Comsat to obtain a copy of approval from the FCC to serve these terminal(s). In either case and in view of the long pendency of your application, please indicate to me in writing, whether or not you wish to continue to prosecute your application.

Please submit the requested information to the FCC, 2000 M St., N.W., Suite 230, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attn: OET/NTDD/ELB, MS 1300E1, Ms. Peggy Fowler. Failure to respond within 30 days will result in the dismissal of your application in accordance with Section 5.60(b) of the Commission's Rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul L. Marrangoni".

Paul L. Marrangoni
Chief
Experimental Licensing Branch