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THRANE & THRANE AIRTIME LTD.

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from STA granted on Feb. 12, 2009,
File No. SES-STA-2009 0210-00162.*

Thrane & Thrane Airtime Ltd.
Request for Renewal of ITC-STA-20060531-00299
As Extended by ITC-STA-20081210-00527
Attachment A

DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST FOR RENEWAL OF SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

By this application, Thrane & Thrane Airtime Ltd. ("T&T Airtime") requests that the Commission renew the special temporary authority ("STA") granted in File No. ITC-STA-20060531-00299, as extended by File No. ITC-STA-20081210-00527, for an additional 60 days to allow T&T Airtime to continue to provide Inmarsat mini-M, M4, B and C service, using the Inmarsat 4F3 satellite located at the 97.65° W.L. orbital location.¹

BACKGROUND

On April 13, 2006 T&T Airtime filed an application for Section 214 authority to provide global facilities-based and resold international telecommunications service (File No. ITC-214-20060413-00241) (the "Section 214 Application"). Subsequently, on May 22, 2006, T&T Airtime filed an application (the "T&T Airtime BGAN Application") for a blanket license to operate 20,000 METs with Inmarsat's BGAN service (File No. SES-LFS-20060522-00852). On May 26, 2006, T&T Airtime also amended its 214 application to clarify that the authority it seeks would include the authority to offer (a) Inmarsat BGAN service using the Inmarsat fourth generation satellite located at 52.75° W.L., and (b) existing Inmarsat services, including Inmarsat mini-M, M4, B and C services, also using the fourth generation Inmarsat satellites.

On May 31, 2006, T&T Airtime also filed an STA application under Title II of the Act requesting authority to allow T&T Airtime to offer existing Inmarsat services, including Inmarsat mini-M, M4, B and C services, using the Inmarsat fourth generation satellite located at 52.75° W.L. ("the Inmarsat 4F2") while the International Bureau considered T&T Airtime's underlying Section 214 application (File No. ITC-STA-20060531-00299). The Commission granted this application on June 30, 2006. T&T Airtime's authority to offer Inmarsat services utilizing the Inmarsat 4F2 under this STA was set to expire on August 29, 2006, however, an extension of this STA was filed with the Commission on August 22, 2006 (File No. ITC-STA-20060822-00401). Further extensions of this STA were filed with the Commission on October 19, 2006 (File No. ITC-STA-20061019-00481), December 19, 2006 (File No. ITC-STA-20061219-00573), February 20, 2007 (File No. ITC-STA-20070220-00080), April 19, 2007 (File No. ITC-STA-20070419-00150), June 19, 2007 (File No. ITC-20070619-00244), August 17, 2007

¹ On January 7, 2009, Inmarsat's BGAN service was relocated from the 4F2 satellite located at 52.75° W.L. to the 4F3 satellite at 97.65° W.L. consistent with Inmarsat's application for authority to communicate with the 4F3 from the Paumotu, Hawaii satellite access station (See FCC File No. SES-LIC-20080306-00242).

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