

Before the  
**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**  
 Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of the Applications of	)	
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ELLIPSAT CORPORATION	)	File No. 11-DSS-P-91(6)
	)	
For Authority to Construct an Elliptical	)	
Orbit Communication Satellite System in	)	
the 1610-1626.5 MHz and 2483.5-2500 MHz	)	
Bands	)	
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MOTOROLA SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	)	File Nos. 9-DSS-P-91(87)
	)	CSS-91-010
For Authority to Construct a Low Earth	)	
Orbit Satellite System in the	)	
1610-1626.5 MHz Band	)	

Order

Adopted: July 17, 1991

Released: July 18, 1991

By the Chief, Domestic Facilities Division:

1. American Mobile Satellite Corporation (AMSC) has filed a Motion for Extension of Time in which to file responses in the above-captioned proceedings. These applications were accepted for filing on April 1, 1991. See Public Notice, Report No. DS-1068, DA 91-407 (released April 1, 1991). This public notice established the following schedule for filing pleadings: June 3, 1991 - comments, petitions and competing applications; July 3, 1991 - oppositions and reply comments, and July 22, 1991 - responses. AMSC requests an extension from July 22, 1991 to August 16, 1991 in which to file responses.

2. In support of its request, ASMC cites the volume of pleadings and applications and the substantial disagreements revealed in the reply comments which will need to be addressed in the responses. AMSC indicates that more time is needed to prepare a thorough response to the pleadings filed thus far in these proceedings. Additionally, AMSC states that its ability to respond by the July 22 deadline is complicated by the fact that key AMSC technical personnel are involved in the U.S. preparations for the upcoming CCIR Study Group 9 meeting in Geneva. AMSC indicates that this preparation process should be completed by the end of July. Further, AMSC states that grant of this extension will not delay the processing of these applications.

3. We agree that partial grant of this request will not delay action on the above-captioned applications. No oppositions to this request have been filed. However, an extension until August 16, 1991, almost four weeks, is not justified. A two-week extension should give the parties sufficient time to evaluate the filings in these proceedings and to prepare their responses.

4. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 0.291 of the Commission's rules on delegations of authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.291, the date for filing responses on the applications of Ellipsat Corporation and Motorola Satellite Communications, Inc. originally due on July 22, 1991 is extended until August 5, 1991.

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