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File # SAT-LOA-2012025 - 00187 Call Sign 52887 Grant Date 09/05/14 Term Dates To: Jennifer D. Hindin 202,719,4975 jhindin@wileyrein.com

VIA IBFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Intelsat License LLC, Request for Bond Reduction; Call Sign S2887 File Nos. SAT-LOA-20121025-00187 and SAT-AMD-20121221-00220 EXPEDITED TREATMENT REQUESTED

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat"), by its attorneys and pursuant to Sections 25.164 and 25.165(d) of the Commission's rules, requests a reduction in the amount of its bond for the above-referenced satellite license based on the information in the record of this proceeding demonstrating that Intelsat has satisfied two additional milestone obligations. Specifically, Intelsat requests a finding from the Commission that Intelsat is entitled to reduce the amount of its performance bond for this satellite from \$2.25 million to \$750,000. The Intelsat 30 bond is currently due on September 13, 2014. Intelsat respectfully requests an expedited finding as soon as possible so that it may take the business and financial steps required to post a \$750,000 bond by this deadline.

As part of the grant of the Intelsat 30 application, the Commission determined that Intelsat had met the first milestone.² In response to a request from staff, Intelsat provided in a supplement filed on July 28, 2014 documentation to demonstrate that it has met the next two milestones – critical design review and commence construction. These materials included photographs of the satellite, a certification that Intelsat had met its payment obligations and confidential copies of the Statement of Work and Spacecraft Performance Specification. Construction of the Intelsat 30 satellite is now complete. The satellite is expected to be shipped to the

See Intelsat License LLC, Application for Authority to Launch and Operate Intelsat 30, File Nos. SAT-LOA-20121025-00187 and SAT-AMD-20121221-00220 (stamp grant Aug. 14, 2014).

² *Id.* at ¶ 24.



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launch site on September 12, 2014, and is scheduled for launch on October 16, 2014.³

Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer D. Hindin

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³ See Letter from Susan H. Crandall to Marlene H. Dortch, File Nos. SAT-LOA-20121025-00187 and SAT-AMD-20121221-00220; Call Sign S2887 (Jul. 28, 2014).

Intelsat License LLC Attachment to Grant IBFS File No. SAT-LOA-20121025-00187 S2887

The Satellite Division has determined that Intelsat License LLC has met the Critical Design Review (CDR) and Commence Construction milestones associated with its authorization (Call Sign S2887) and may reduce the bond amount by \$1,500,000, as provided in the Amendment of the Commission's Space Station Licensing Rules and Policies, First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, IB Docket No. 02-34, 18 FCC Rcd 10760 (2003); Amendment of the Commission's Space Station Licensing Rules and Policies, First Order on Reconsideration and Fifth Report and Order, IB Docket No. 02-34, 19 FCC Rcd 12637 (2004), 47 C.F.R. § 25.165(d). Accordingly, Intelsat may reduce its bond to a value of \$750,000.

