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Re:

Iridium LLC

File No. 187-SAT-P/LA-97 (96)

IBFS Nos. SAT-LOA-19970926-00147,

SAT-AMD-20001103-00156

Dear Mr. Abelson:

This letter is written on behalf of Iridium Satellite LLC ("New Iridium") regarding the International Bureau's recent grant of the above-referenced application. See Iridium LLC, DA 01-1636, released July 17, 2001 ("2 GHz Order and Authorization").

As you are aware, New Iridium (through certain of its affiliates) is the assignee of essentially all of the assets of Space System Licensee, Inc., Motorola, Inc., and various of their affiliates (collectively, "Old Iridium"), relating to the Iridium satellite system. See Application of Iridium Satellite LLC, File No. SAT-ASG-20000310-00025 (filed March 19, 2000) ("New Iridium Application"). Included in this application for assignment of various Commission authorizations was the then-pending 2 GHz system application, referenced above, which had been filed by an Old Iridium affiliate, Iridium LLC; that application was granted in the 2 GHz Order and Authorization. See New

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Iridium Application at Exhibit G; see also <u>Public Notice</u>, Report No. SAT-00070, released April 17, 2001, at 2.¹

The New Iridium Application remains pending before the Commission. New Iridium understands that favorable Commission action thereon should be forthcoming in the near future. This letter is written to clarify New Iridium's understanding that grant of the New Iridium Application will include, as requested in that application, a grant of the assignment of the recently-granted <u>2 GHz Order and</u> Authorization to New Iridium.

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfulky submitted,

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The assignment to New Iridium of the above-referenced 2 GHz application was included as part of the New Iridium Application, rather than addressed as a separate amendment to the then-pending 2 GHz application, consistent with discussions with the Commission staff prior to the filing of the New Iridium Application.