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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch

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Authority to launch and operate a GSO/NGSO FSS/MSS system in the V band SAT-LOA-19970926-00126/140/141: SAT-AMD-20020722-00127/128/129

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed on behalf on Hughes Network Systems, Inc. is a letter withdrawing the above-referenced applications.

An original and five copies are enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

John P. Janka

Jennifer M. Gilsenan (FCC) cc:



June 24, 2003

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

Hughes Network Systems, Inc. ("HNS") hereby withdraws the above-referenced applications. Recent fundamental changes in the Commission's satellite licensing rules, as well as impending ITU deadlines, make it infeasible for HNS to continue to prosecute these applications as applied for, or to implement the proposed systems within the relevant time periods. These applications have not yet been placed on Public Notice.

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Sincerely\yburs,

Michael L. Cook

Senior Vice President

cc: Ms. Jennifer Gilsenan