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APPLICANT INFORMATION

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ORBCOMM License Corp. IBFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207 and SAT-AMD-20150420-00027 Call Sign S2103

The application of ORBCOMM License Corp. (ORBCOMM), as amended, IBFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207 and SAT-AMD-20150420-00027, to modify its authorization for a non-voice, non-geostationary mobile-satellite service (NVNG MSS) system IS GRANTED in part and DEFERRED in part. Specifically, we grant the request in IBFS File No. SAT-AMD-20150420-00027 for authority to operate a second 50 kHz feeder downlink channel, centered at 137.4 MHz, with all authorized space stations in the ORBCOMM system. We defer action on ORBCOMM's remaining request in IBFS File No. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207, as amended by IBFS File No. SAT-AMD-20130212-00020, for modification or waiver of the final milestone requirement in its authorization for next-generation satellites. This authorization is subject to compliance with the terms, conditions, and technical specifications set forth in ORBCOMM's application, the Federal Communications Commission's rules not waived herein, and the following conditions:

- 1. Consistent with International Bureau precedent,² we waive Sections 25.156(d)(1) and 25.157 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 25.156(d)(1), 25.157, on our own motion to permit consideration of ORBCOMM's request for assignment of the 137.4125-137.4225 MHz frequency band under the Commission's first-come, first-served application processing procedure, rather than under the processing round procedure.³
- 2. ORBCOMM must provide the Commission with the information required for appropriate advance publication, coordination, and notification of the 137.375-137.425 MHz frequency assignment pursuant to the Radio Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union. No protection from interference caused by radio stations authorized by other Administrations is guaranteed unless ITU procedures are timely completed or, with respect to individual Administrations, coordination agreements are successfully completed. This authorization may be subject to additional terms and conditions required for coordination of the frequency assignment with other Administrations. See 47 C.F.R. § 25.111(b).

¹ See Applications by Orbcomm License Corp. for Authority to Modify its Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary Satellite System, Order and Authorization, <u>DA 08-633</u>, 23 FCC Rcd 4804, 4813, ¶ 23 (IB and OET 2008) (Next Generation License). This grant is without prejudice to any decision on that request.

² See, e.g., Policy Branch Information, Actions Taken, Public Notice, <u>DA 05-3278</u>, 20 FCC Rcd 20273 (rel. Dec. 22, 2005) (announcing the availability of NVNG MSS spectrum to new applicants under the first-come, first-served processing procedure); Policy Branch Information, Spectrum Available, Public Notice, <u>DA 04-791</u>, 19 FCC Rcd 5368 (rel. Mar. 25, 2004) (same).

³ See 47 C.F.R. § 25.158. Within the 137.375-137.425 MHz frequency band requested by ORBCOMM, the 137.375-137.4125 MHz band was assigned to System 2 (Final Analysis Communication Services, Inc.) in the second NVNG MSS processing round. See Amendment of Part 25 of the Commission's Rules to Establish Rules and Policies Pertaining to the Second Processing Round of the Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary Mobile Satellite Service, Report and Order, IB Docket No. 96-220, FCC 97-370, 13 FCC Rcd 9111, ¶ 34 (1997) (Second Processing Round Order). It has been made available to NVNG MSS applicants under the first-come, first-served application processing procedure. See Final Analysis Communication Services, Inc., Authorization to Construct, Launch and Operate a Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary Mobile Satellite System in the 148-150.5 MHz, 400.15-401 MHz, and 137-138 MHz Bands, Memorandum Opinion and Order, DA 04-727, 19 FCC Rcd 4768, 4786, ¶ 48 (IB 2004); Policy Branch Information, Spectrum Available, Public Notice, DA 04-732, 19 FCC Rcd 4804 (rel. Mar. 17, 2004). The 137.4225-137.425 MHz segment is already assigned to ORBCOMM. See Second Processing Round Order, 13 FCC Rcd 9111, ¶ 43; Application of Orbital Communications Corporation for Modification of Its Authorization to Construct, Launch and Operate a Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary Mobile-Satellite System in the 137-138, 148-150.05, and 400.15-401 MHz Frequency Bands, Order and Authorization, DA 98-617, 13 FCC Rcd 10828, 10836, ¶ 18; Next Generation License, 23 FCC Rcd at 4813, ¶ 23a.

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- 3. ORBCOMM is afforded 30 days from the date of this action to decline this grant, as conditioned. Failure to respond within this period will constitute formal acceptance of the grant, as conditioned.
- 4. This action is taken pursuant to the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261, and is effective immediately. Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106, or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of the public notice indicating that this action was taken.



** Action on SAT-MOD-20111021-00207 IS DEFERRED * * 9–16. Name of Contact Representative

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CLASSIFICATION OF FILING

17. Choose the button next to the classification that applies to this filing for both questions a. and b. Choose only one for 17a and only one for 17b.	(N/A) b1. Application for License of New Station (N/A) b2. Application for Registration of New Domestic Receive—Only Station b3. Amendment to a Pending Application
a1. Earth Station a2. Space Station	 b4. Modification of License or Registration b5. Assignment of License or Registration b6. Transfer of Control of License or Registration b7. Notification of Minor Modification (N/A) b8. Application for License of New Receive—Only Station Using Non—U.S. Licensed Satellite (N/A) b9. Letter of Intent to Use Non—U.S. Licensed Satellite to Provide Service in the United States (N/A) b10. Other (Please specify) (N/A) b11. Application for Earth Station to Access a Non—U.S.satellite Not Currently Authorized to Provide the Proposed Service in the Proposed Frequencies in the United States (N/A) b12. Application for Database Entry b13. Amendment to a Pending Database Entry Application b14. Modification of Database Entry
17c. Is a fee submitted with this application of the submitted with th	159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R.Section 1.1114).
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TYPE OF SERVICE

20. NATURE OF SERVICE: This filing is for an authorization to provide	de or use the following type(s) of service(s): Select all that apply:
a. Fixed Satellite	
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d. Earth Exploration Satellite	
e. Direct to Home Fixed Satellite	
f. Digital Audio Radio Service	
g. Other (please specify)	
21. STATUS: Choose the button next to the applicable status. Choose only one.	22. If earth station applicant, check all that apply. Using U.S. licensed satellites
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PURPOSE OF MODIFICATION

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	c — authorization to increase EIRP and EIRP density
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	m — authorization to perform fleet management
	n — authorization to extend milestones
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ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

28. Would a Commission grant of any proposal in this application or amendment have a significant environmental impact as defined by 47 CFR 1.1307? If YES, submit the statement as required by Sections 1.1308 and 1.1311 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. 1.1308 and 1.1311, as an exhibit to this application. A Radiation Hazard Study must accompany all applications for new transmitting facilities, major modifications, or major amendments.	0	Yes	•	No		
ALIEN OWNERSHIP Earth station applicants not proposing to provide broadcast, common carrier, aerona aeronautical fixed radio station services are not required to respond to Items 30–34.	autic	al en	rou	te or		
29. Is the applicant a foreign government or the representative of any foreign government?	0	Yes	•	No		
30. Is the applicant an alien or the representative of an alien?	0	Yes	0	No	0	N/A
31. Is the applicant a corporation organized under the laws of any foreign government?	0	Yes	0	No	0	N/A
32. Is the applicant a corporation of which more than one—fifth of the capital stock is owned of record or voted by aliens or their representatives or by a foreign government or representative thereof or by any corporation organized under the laws of a foreign country?	0	Yes	0	No	•	N/A

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37. Has the applicant, or any party to this application or amendment, or any party directly or indirectly controlling the applicant ever been convicted of a felony by any state or federal court? If Yes, attach as an exhibit, an explination of circumstances.	O Yes	⊚ No
38. Has any court finally adjudged the applicant, or any person directly or indirectly controlling the applicant, guilty of unlawfully monopolizing or attempting unlawfully to monopolize radio communication, directly or indirectly, through control of manufacture or sale of radio apparatus, exclusive traffic arrangement or any other means or unfair methods of competition? If Yes, attach as an exhibit, an explanation of circumstances	O Yes	⊚ No
39. Is the applicant, or any person directly or indirectly controlling the applicant, currently a party in any pending matter referred to in the preceding two items? If yes, attach as an exhinit, an explanation of the circumstances.	O Yes	No
40. If the applicant is a corporation and is applying for a space station license, attach as an exhibit the names, address, and citizenship of those stockholders owning a record and/or voting 10 percent or more of the Filer's voting stock and the percentages so held. In the case of fiduciary control, indicate the beneficiary(ies) or class of beneficiaries. Also list the names and addresses of the officers and directors of the Filer.	Ownership Exl	aibit

41. By checking Yes, the undersigned certifies, that neither applicant nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti–Drug Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. See 47 CFR 1.2002(b) for the meaning of "party to the application" for these purposes.	Yes	O No
42a. Does the applicant intend to use a non-U.S. licensed satellite to provide service in the United States? If Yes, answer 42b and attach an exhibit providing the information specified in 47 C.F.R. 25.137, as appropriate. If No, proceed to question 43.	O Yes	No
42b. What administration has licensed or is in the process of licensing the space station? If no license will be issued, we coordinated or is in the process of coordinating the space station?	/hat administr	ation has
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second 50 kHz feeder downlink channel for use by all ORBCOMM satellites.		
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Narrative Exhibit

43a. Geographic Service Rule Certification By selecting A, the undersigned certifies that the applicant is not subject to the geographic service or geographic coverage requirements specified in 47 C.F.R. Part 25.	● A
By selecting B, the undersigned certifies that the applicant is subject to the geographic service or geographic coverage requirements specified in 47 C.F.R. Part 25 and will comply with such requirements.	O B
By selecting C, the undersigned certifies that the applicant is subject to the geographic service or geographic coverage requirements specified in 47 C.F.R. Part 25 and will not comply with such requirements because it is not feasible as a technical matter to do so, or that, while technically feasible, such services would require so many compromises in satellite design and operation as to make it economically unreasonable. A narrative description and technical analysis demonstrating this claim are attached.	o c

CERTIFICATION

The Applicant waives any claim to the use of any particular frequency or of the electromagnetic spectrum as against the regulatory power of the United States because of the previous use of the same, whether by license or otherwise, and requests an authorization in accordance with this application. The applicant certifies that grant of this application would not cause the applicant to be in violation of the spectrum aggregation limit in 47 CFR Part 20. All statements made in exhibits are a material part hereof and are incorporated herein as if set out in full in this application. The undersigned, individually and for the applicant, hereby certifies that all statements made in this application and in all attached exhibits are true, complete and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith.

44. Applicant is a (an): (Choose the button next to applicable	e response.)
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O Partnership	
Corporation	
Governmental Entity	
Other (please specify)	
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Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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For Authority to Modify its Non-Voice, Non-) F1	le No. SAT-AMD-2015
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Segment License (S2103) to Revise the Next-)	
Generation Satellite Deployment Plan)	

NARRATIVE EXHIBIT

By this submission (the "Fourth Amendment"), ORBCOMM License Corp.

("ORBCOMM") further amends the above-captioned application to modify its Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary ("NVNG") Satellite Service FCC space segment license (the "Modification Application"). Specifically, to the extent necessary, this Fourth Amendment respectfully requests Commission authorization to add a second 50 kHz feeder downlink channel centered at

See, FCC Call Sign S2103. See, also, In the Matter of Applications by ORBCOMM License Corp. For Authority to Modify its Non-Voice, Non-Geostationary Satellite System, Order & Authorization, DA 08-633 (March 21, 2008), 23 FCC Rcd 4804 (2008) (the "Next-Generation Space Segment License"). Modification Application, File No. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207, FCC Public Notice, Report No. SAT-00825, released December 2, 2011. In addition to the request set forth in this Fourth Amendment, ORBCOMM's February 12, 2013, request for waiver or modification of the final Next-Generation Space Segment License milestone is the only other Modification Application request that currently remains pending before the Commission. See, Modification Application Further Amendment & Supplement, File No. SAT-AMD-20130212-00020, FCC Public Notice, Report No. SAT-00933, released March 1, 2013. See, also, Stamp Grant, Slip Op., File Nos. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207 & SAT-AMD-20140116-00006, FCC International Bureau, Satellite Division, Satellite Policy Branch, March 26, 2014, FCC Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01006, released March 28, 2014; Stamp Grant, Slip Op., File Nos. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207 & SAT-AMD-20140116-00006, FCC International Bureau, Satellite Division, Satellite Policy Branch, May 23, 2014; and Stamp Grant, Slip Op., File Nos. SAT-MOD-20111021-00207, SAT-AMD-20120809-00125 & SAT-AMD-20130212-00020, FCC International Bureau, Satellite Division, Satellite Policy Branch, September 18, 2014, FCC Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01042, released September 19, 2014.

137.4 MHz to the currently authorized ORBCOMM feeder link frequency plan. The additional feeder downlink channel is requested to facilitate expanded backhaul throughput capacity and coverage for the ORBCOMM NVNG satellite constellation to support increasing message traffic flow. The new additional feeder downlink channel will be made available for use by all ORBCOMM satellites authorized under FCC Call Sign S2103. All technical parameters for operations on the requested additional feeder downlink channel will be identical to those currently authorized for operations on the existing ORBCOMM 50 kHz feeder downlink channel centered at 137.56 MHz. ORBCOMM's search of the Commission's records reveals no existing assignments in the 137 - 138 MHz band frequency allocation block that could result in harmful interference to any other Commission licensee from ORBCOMM's proposed new feeder downlink channel assignment. Additionally, ORBCOMM searches of the ITU MIFR and ITU frequency coordination data indicate that ORBCOMM's proposed new feeder downlink channel assignment can be successfully coordinated and notified in accordance with the International Radio Regulations.

CONCLUSION

Please associate this submission with the record of ORBCOMM's Modification

Application. ORBCOMM respectfully requests that the Commission act promptly to grant the above-captioned modification application to modify the ORBCOMM NVNG Satellite Service FCC space segment license, as further amended by this submission. The additional network backhaul capacity and coverage capacity provided by the requested additional feeder downlink

channel will allow ORBCOMM to better serve the growing worldwide demand for NVNG services, and will thus serve the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Respectfully submitted,

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