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

Federal Communications Commission  
Office of Secretary

Re: SkyTerra Communications, Inc., Licensee of Satellite Space Station S2663  
IBFS File No. SAT-ASG-20050826-00168  
Request for Extension of Time to File Notice of Consummation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Hughes Communications, Inc., formerly known as SkyTerra Holdings, Inc. ("Hughes") and SkyTerra Communications, Inc. ("SkyTerra" and together with Hughes, the "Applicants"), the parties to an application ("Application") to assign satellite space station license S2663 ("License") from SkyTerra to Hughes, this letter requests an additional 60 days, until March 6, 2006, to consummate the pro forma assignment. The Applicants also request that the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") update its records to reflect that SkyTerra Holdings, Inc. has changed its name to Hughes Communications, Inc.

The Application described a two-step transaction pursuant to which SkyTerra would first assign the License to Hughes ("Step One") and then distribute the stock of Hughes to stockholders and warrant holders of SkyTerra stock ("Step Two"). The Applicants intend to complete Step One of the transaction on or before December 31, 2005. However, consummation of Step Two of the transaction is subject to the approval of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Although the Applicants submitted with the SEC the requisite materials for approval of Step Two on December 5, 2005, the SEC has not yet approved Step Two.

On September 7, 2005, the Commission consented to the pro forma assignment of the License. Pursuant to Section 25.119(f) of the Commission's rules, assignments must be completed within 60 days from the date of authorization. However, on November 8, 2005, the Commission extended the deadline for consummating the transaction described in the Application to January 6, 2006. Because the SEC has not yet approved Step Two, a circumstance outside the control of the Applicants, the Applicants require additional time to consummate the transaction, which the Applicants intend to consummate upon receipt of

SEC approval. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request an additional 60 days to consummate the transfer of control as described in the Application.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.


Very truly yours,

Robert Mazer, Esq.

cc: Cassandra Thomas, Esq. (via e-mail)  
JoAnn Lucanik, Esq. (via e-mail)

60 day extension of time

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