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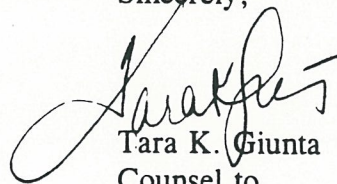
Re: Application of AfriSpace, Inc for Authority to Launch and Operate a Satellite
Sound Broadcasting Transmission System; File No. CSS-90-017; IBFS File
Nos. SAT-LOA-19900723-00002; SAT-AMD-19990125-00016

Dear Ms. Salas:

It has come to our attention that a filing was submitted to the Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission") by the General Aviation Manufacturers Association ("GAMA") on May 3, 1999. Section 25.154(a)(5) of the Commission's Rules requires that oppositions to pleadings must "[c]ontain a certificate of service showing that it has been mailed to the applicant no later than the date the pleading is filed with the Commission." Contrary to Section 25.154 of the Commission's Rules, this filing did not contain the required certificate of service and was not served on AfriSpace's counsel or on AfriSpace itself. We therefore request that the Commission reject this filing.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 736-1809.

Sincerely,



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AfriSpace, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Cathy Jaramillo, hereby certify that on this 26th day of May, 1999, a true and correct copy of the foregoing letter was sent by first class U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the following parties:

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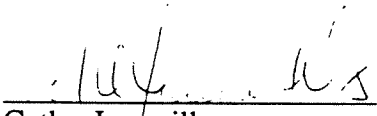
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