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In the Matter of

Globalstar, LP)	File Nos.	
Application to Launch and Operate)		
a Mobile Satellite System in the)	182--186-SAT/P-LA-97	
2 GHz Frequency Band)		
)		
Iridium, LLC)	File No. 187-SAT-P/LA-97	
Application to Launch and Operate)		
a Low Earth Orbit Satellite)		
System in The 2. GHz Frequency Band)		
)		
Motorola Global)	File Nos. 79-SAT-P/LA-97(63)	
Communications, Inc.)	94---98-SAT-P/LA-97	
Application for Authority to)		
Construct, Launch, and Operate)		
the Celestri Satellite System)		

Satellite Policy Branch
International Bureau

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
IN WHICH TO FILE COMMENTS AND PETITIONS TO DENY**

Loral Space & Communications Ltd., GE American
Communications, Inc., Lockheed Martin Corporation and Hughes
Communications Galaxy, Inc. (collectively, the "Parties")
respectfully request a two month extension of time in which to
file comments and petitions regarding the above-captioned
applications. The Parties each hold Commission licenses to
launch and operate GSO/FSS satellite systems in the Ka-band that
will be affected by the operation of the systems proposed in the
above-captioned applications.¹

¹ See e.g., In re Application of Loral Space & Communications Ltd. for Authority to Construct, Launch and Operate a Ka-

The Commission placed the above-captioned applications on public notice and established a schedule whereby comments and petitions to deny the applications are currently due December 1, 1997; replies and oppositions are currently due December 22, 1997 and responses are currently due January 6, 1998.² The parties respectfully ask the Commission to extend the filing period for these applications by two months.

WRC-97 adopted provisional power flux-density limits that are designed to facilitate co-frequency spectrum sharing by GSO/FSS and NGSO/FSS systems. Evaluating the technical feasibility of potential inter-system co-existence requires substantial technical analysis concerning a variety of factors, including the specific provisional limits adopted at WRC-97 and the detailed technical characteristics of the proposed systems.

The Parties believe that an extension is warranted in light of the outcome at WRC-97 and in order to more fully develop their technical analyses of the potential effects on their licensed systems of the above-captioned satellite systems. Without a filing extension, the Parties believe that they will not be able to respond meaningfully to the Commission's public notices. A thorough analysis simply cannot be performed by December 1, the current comment deadline.

band Satellite System in the Fixed Satellite Service, Order and Authorization, DA 97-974 (rel. May 9, 1997).

² Report No. SPB-105 (rel. October 15, 1997) and Report No. SPB-106 (rel. October 15, 1997).

Because of the intervening holidays, the complexity of the issues presented as a consequence of actions taken by WRC-97, and a desire to develop a more complete record for Commission consideration, the Parties respectfully request a two-month extension of time, until February 2, 1998, in which to file comments or petitions to deny the above-referenced applications. In addition, the reply and response dates should be extended by the corresponding period so that replies and oppositions would be due February 23, 1998 and responses due March 6, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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