

Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

July 18, 2002

VIA FACSIMILE AND U.S. MAIL

Mr. William D. Wallace Crowell & Moring 1001 Pennsylvania Ave., NW Washington, DC 20004

Re: Globalstar, L.P., File Nos: 183/184/185/186-SAT-P/LA-97; 182-SAT-P/LA-97(64). IBFS File Nos: SAT-LOA-19970926-00151/52/53/54; SAT-LOA-19970926-00156; SAT-AMD-20001103-00154

Dear Mr. Wallace:

On July 17, 2001, the International Bureau ("Bureau") authorized Globalstar, L.P. ("Globalstar") to construct, launch and operate a non-geostationary satellite system to provide mobile-satellite service ("MSS") in the 2 GHz band. In this Order, we assigned implementation milestones for the construction, launch, and operation of the satellite system. The license provides that failure to meet any of the implementation milestones will render the satellite authorization null and void. Globalstar is also required to file a certification with the Commission within 10 days following each milestone.

To satisfy the first construction commencement milestone for 2 GHz MSS licenses, the Commission required the execution of a non-contingent construction contract by July 17, 2002.² The "non-contingent" requirement contemplates that there will be neither significant delays between the execution of the construction contract and the actual commencement of construction, nor conditions precedent to construction.³

¹ Globalstar, L.P., Application for Authority to Launch and Operate a Mobile-Satellite Service System in the 2GHz Band, *Order and Authorization*, 16 FCC Rcd 13739 (Int'l Bur. 2001)(DA 01-1634).

³ See PanAmSat Licensee Corp., Application for Authority to Construct, Launch, and Operate a Ka-Band Communications Satellite System in the Fixed-Satellite Service at Orbital Locations 58° W.L. and 125° W.L., Memorandum Opinion and Order, 15 FCC Rcd 18720 (Int'l Bur. 2000) aff'd, 16 FCC Rcd 11534 (2001).

In order for the Commission to determine whether Globalstar has complied with this milestone condition of its license, please submit a copy of a signed executed contract that satisfies Globalstar's obligations under the first milestone and verifies that Globalstar's satellites will be built within the time frame specified in Globalstar's license. This submission should also include a copy of the Statement of Work as well as technical specifications. This information must be filed with the Commission's Secretary by **July 29, 2002**, with a hand delivered courtesy copy to Howard Griboff of my staff. Failure to provide this information by this date shall render Globalstar's 2 GHz MSS license null and void. Please contact Howard Griboff at (202) 418-0657 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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