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Satellite Policy Division
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Re: PanAmSat Corporation, Contract for Construction of Ka-band Satellite
(IBFS: SAT-LOA-1997222-00223/00228)
Request for Extension of Time to Respond

Dear Ms. Jarmulnek:

PanAmSat Corporation ("PanAmSat"), by its attorneys, hereby requests and extension of time, until January 15, 2003, to reply to your letter seeking additional information about certain PanAmSat Ka-band licenses.¹ The letter asks that such information be filed by December 20, 2002.

PanAmSat's request is supported by good cause. Given the imminent holidays and vacation schedules of relevant personnel, PanAmSat will not be in a position to respond adequately by your deadline. Grant of an extension will enable PanAmSat to

¹ See Letter to Henry Goldberg, Joseph A. Godles, and Michael A. McCain, Attorneys for PanAmSat, from Fern Jarmulnek, Deputy Chief, Satellite Division, Re: PanAmSat Corporation, Contract for Construction of Ka-band Satellite, (IBFS: SAT-LOA-1997222-00223/00228), December 12, 2002.

provide a more complete record that will facilitate the Commission's decision-making process.

Any questions with respect to this matter should be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



By: /s/Michael A. McCain

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Enclosure

cc: Fern Jarmulnek
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