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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
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Policy Branch
International Bureau

Re: INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1)
Call Sign: S2412; SAT-LOA-20000119-00026

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat LLC ("Intelsat") hereby informs the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") that Intelsat has terminated the portion of the spacecraft manufacturing contract related to the INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1) satellite due to late delivery by the manufacturer.¹ In addition, Intelsat hereby informs the Commission that it is relinquishing its license for the INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1) satellite granted by the Commission in August 2000.²

The INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1) satellite was licensed by the Commission to be deployed at 50.0° W.L., where it was to replace INTELSAT 709.³ As a result of deployment changes since the August 2000 licensing order, INTELSAT 705 is currently operating at 50.0° W.L. and Intelsat plans to continue operating a VII-series satellite at that location for the foreseeable future. Accordingly, the relinquishment of the INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1) license will not render an orbital location vacant.

Sincerely,

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¹ The INTELSAT 10-01 (NI-ALPHA 1) satellite was part of a multi-spacecraft manufacturing contract.

² See *Applications of Intelsat LLC; For Authority to Operate, and to Further Construct, Launch and Operate C-Band and Ku-Band Global Satellites that Form a Global Communications System in Geostationary Orbit*, 15 FCC Rcd 15460 (2000) (Memorandum Opinion Order and Authorization) ("Aug. 2000 Order"), recon. denied, 15 FCC Rcd 25234 (2000) (Order on Reconsideration).

³ See *Aug. 2000 Order*, 15 FCC Rcd at 15521-522 (Appendix A).