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Re: Application of EchoStar Satellite Corporation for Authority to Construct, Launch and Operate a Direct Broadcast Satellite in the 12.2-12.7 GHz and 17.3-17.8 GHz Frequency Bands at the 114.5° W.L. Orbital Location, File No. SAT-LOA- 20030604-00118

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 25.152(a) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §25.152(a), EchoStar Satellite Corporation ("EchoStar"), applicant in the above-referenced proceeding, respectfully requests that the Commission dismiss without prejudice the subject space station application.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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