



International Bureau

Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

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Re: Submission of Executed Satellite Construction Contract for DIRECTV 10 and
DIRECTV 11, IBFS File Numbers: SAT-LOA-20040909-00168 (S2640); SAT-
LOA-20040909-00169 (S2641)

Dear Mr. Wiltshire:

On January 30, 2006, on behalf of the DIRECTV Group, Inc. (DIRECTV), you submitted a redacted copy of the satellite construction contract between DIRECTV Operations, LLC and Boeing Satellite Systems, Inc. as part of a request for a determination that DIRECTV has completed the first three milestones for the above referenced space station licenses. In order for Commission staff to effectively evaluate DIRECTV's compliance with the first milestone, execution of a binding non-contingent construction contract, we request that you submit an unredacted copy of the contract to the Commission by no later than May 3, 2006. To extent DIRECTV requests confidential treatment of any information contained in the contract, DIRECTV should follow the Commission's rules concerning the format and timing of requests for confidentiality. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459.

Please hand-deliver or email courtesy copies of any filing made in response to this letter to Jay Whaley (Jay.Whaley@fcc.gov) of my staff.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrea I. Kelly".

Andrea I. Kelly
Chief, Policy Branch
Satellite Division