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VIA IBFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Intelsat North America LLC, Request for Release of Bond for Intelsat 16 Satellite; File No. SAT-LOA-20080416-00085, Call Sign S2750

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat North America LLC (“Intelsat”), by its attorneys and pursuant to Sections 25.164 and 25.165(d) of the Commission’s rules,¹ hereby notifies the Commission that Intelsat has satisfied all of its milestone obligations and requests a release of the bond for the above-referenced satellite.

On March 31, 2010, Intelsat provided a certification to the Commission that the Intelsat 16 satellite (call sign S2750) had become fully operational at the 58.1° W.L. orbital location.² This certification demonstrates that Intelsat has met all milestone requirements stipulated in its grant of approval to launch and operate the Intelsat 16 satellite at 58.1° W.L.³

As a result, Intelsat seeks a determination from the Commission that all milestones for the Intelsat 16 satellite have been satisfied and that Intelsat is entitled to a full release of the \$750,000 performance bond for this satellite.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer D. Hindin

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¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 25.164 and 25.165(d).

² See *Letter from Susan H. Crandall to Marlene H. Dortch, Intelsat 16 Certification of Commencement of Operations*, File No. SAT-LOA-20080416-00085 (filed Mar. 31, 2010).

³ See *Intelsat North America LLC, Application for Authority to Launch and Operate a Satellite at 58.1° W.L.*, File No. SAT-LOA-20080416-00085 (stamp grant May 29, 2009).