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Dear Mr. Weight:

Thank you for letter of January 17, 2012, concerning the Intelsat 22 satellite and the UHF payload resident on it. In response to your letter, I wish to confirm the following:

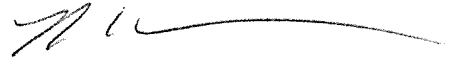
1. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering a request from Intelsat License LLC for an authorization to construct and launch the Intelsat 22 satellite, and to operate the C- and Ku-band radio stations on the satellite.
2. The FCC has communicated to the U.S. State Department that, in the event of favorable action on Intelsat's request, the FCC would view the satellite as a U.S. space object for purposes of registering the satellite under the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space.
3. In the event of favorable action on the request, the authorization will indicate the FCC's consent to Australia acting as the Notifying and Licensing Administration for the UHF payload's operations at 72.1° E.L. under the ITU Radio Regulations.¹ Operations of the satellite at another orbital location, or under supervision by any other Notifying and Licensing Administration, would require prior FCC consent.

¹ This consent would be subject to the Presidential rights, exercisable under extraordinary circumstances, specified in Section 706 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 606.

4. International Satellite Coordination of the UHF payload operations is ongoing. Consent to the operations of the UHF payload under paragraph 3 above would not indicate agreement under the ITU Radio Regulations to Australian UHF satellite network filings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Nelson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert G. Nelson
Chief, Satellite Division
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