

March 30, 2017

Via Electronic Filing

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Notice of Ex Parte Communication, ET Docket No. 13-115, RM-11341, and IBFS File Nos. SAT-LOA-20161115-00118 and SAT-LOA-20170301-00027*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that, on March 29, 2017, representatives of Space Exploration Technologies Corp. ("SpaceX") met with Daudeline Meme, Legal Advisor, Wireless, International and Public Safety to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn with respect to the above referenced proceedings. Present at the meeting on behalf of SpaceX were Patricia Cooper, Vice President, Satellite Government Affairs, and Mat Dunn, Director, Government Affairs.

During the meeting, SpaceX highlighted its ongoing space transportation services business and its ongoing support of the letter recently filed in this proceeding by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration ("NTIA") endorsing the concept of allocating spectrum resources for commercial space launch operations.¹ Such an allocation would be a significant step toward streamlining launch spectrum licensing in the future, an efficiency that will become even more important as the cadence of commercial launch and recovery activities increases and additional companies join the U.S. commercial launch sector over the next few years. SpaceX expressed its hope that this proceeding could be resolved in the near future to implement the allocations proposed by NTIA, and that in the longer term all spectrum needed for commercial launch activities could be allocated for that use.

SpaceX also discussed its applications for operating authority for a non-geostationary orbit ("NGSO") satellite system in the Fixed-Satellite Service ("FSS") using Ku-, Ka-, and V-band spectrum.² SpaceX discussed the advances in launch, spacecraft and ground technology that will

¹ See Letter from Lawrence E. Strickling to The Hon. Tom Wheeler, ET Docket No. 13-115 and RM-11341 (Sep. 30, 2016).

² See IBFS File Nos. SAT-LOA-20161115-00118 and SAT-LOA-20170301-00027.

permit large constellations of highly-intelligent satellites to provide high-speed, reliable and affordable broadband service to consumers in the U.S. and around the world.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia Cooper". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Patricia Cooper
Vice President of Satellite Government Affairs

SPACE EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP.
1030 15th Street, N.W.
Suite 220E
Washington, DC 20005
Tel: 202-649-2634
Email: Patricia.Cooper@spacex.com

cc: Daudeline Meme