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**Re: R/L DBS Company, LLC Direct Broadcast Satellite
Construction Permit, File Nos. DBS 87-01, 94-SAT-AL-96,
94-SAT-TC-96, 49-SAT-TC-95, 130-SAT-EXT-95**

Dear Mr. Abelson:

R/L DBS Company, LLC ("R/L DBS") is pleased to report to the International Bureau that R/L DBS and its spacecraft manufacturer have timely and successfully completed all milestones related to the construction of the R/L DBS Direct Broadcast Satellite Service ("DBS") satellite that were required to be completed by June 29, 2002 in accordance with the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order*, 16 FCC Rcd 9 (2000) ("Extension Order").^{1/}

Specifically, the following milestones have been achieved:

- Complete Transponder Fabrication;

^{1/} On June 22, 2001, the International Bureau granted the request of R/L DBS to substitute, for the milestones referenced in the Extension Order, alternative milestones that more accurately reflect the manufacturing processes and sequences of Lockheed Martin Corporation ("Lockheed Martin"), the entity that R/L DBS selected to construct the satellite (See File No. SAT-MOD-20010611-00051). Therefore, R/L DBS is using the Lockheed Martin milestones for purposes of this report.

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- Complete Core Structure Panel Fabrication;
- Complete Core Assembly Fabrication.

Should you have any questions regarding the foregoing report, please communicate with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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