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Ms. Karis A. Hastings
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555 Thirteenth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 2004-1109

Reference: Request for modification of milestones for the GE-1 satellite
(File No. 135-SAT-ML-96)

Dear Ms. Hastings:

GE American Communications, Inc. (GE Americom) has filed an application for an extension of time in which to launch its GE-1 domestic fixed-satellite. Subsequently, GE Americom applied for authority to test GE-1 at 101° W.L. prior to moving to its regularly authorized location of 103° W.L. We granted GE Americom authority to test GE-1 at 101° W.L. See Letter from Chief, Satellite Radiocommunication Division to Counsel (September 18, 1996). Since then, GE-1 was launched, tested, and placed into operation at its authorized location.

Therefore, since the GE-1 satellite has been launched and is operating successfully, Application File No. 135-SAT-ML-96 is dismissed as moot.

Sincerely,



for

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Chief, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division
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