

August 22, 2006

BY HAND DELIVERY

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

Re: ***De-orbiting of DIRECTV 6***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC ("DIRECTV") hereby gives notice that it has successfully de-orbited its DIRECTV 6 space station (call sign S2656). The deorbiting was completed on August 17, 2006. The final measured orbit of the DIRECTV 6 satellite is 397 km above the geostationary arc, with an apogee and perigee of 411 km and 383 km above the arc, respectively. In the course of de-orbiting the satellite, DIRECTV depleted the propellant tanks, discharged the batteries, disconnected the power from the bus, and shut off the transmitters.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-730-1350.

Sincerely yours,



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