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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Hughes Network Systems, Inc. – Voluntary Surrender of Ka-Band GSO License and Voluntary Dismissal of Pending Applications for Call Sign S2190

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Hughes Network Systems, Inc. ("HNS") hereby voluntarily surrenders its Kaband satellite license at 25° E.L. (Call Sign S2190). Because this surrender renders pending applications to modify this license moot, HNS also voluntarily dismisses the following applications: SAT-MOD-20021023-00193 and SAT-MOD-20030123-00050. HNS requests that the Commission update its records to reflect these actions and issue public notice thereof as required.

Changes in the overall network design for HNS' Ka-band network have led to the decision to surrender the license for Call Sign S2190. However, HNS remains committed to implementing its Ka-band satellite system. Nothing in this letter is intended to affect any of HNS' other Ka-band authorizations, and HNS respectfully reserves all of its rights with respect to each of its remaining authorizations.

Sincerely

vours.

cc:

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