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Policy Branch
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Re: **WRITTEN EX PARTE PRESENTATION**
File Nos. SAT-STA-20050325-00076 and SAT-MOD-20050325-00075
Applications of SES Americom, Inc. for Special Temporary Authority to Repoint
Satcom SN-4 and for Modification of Satcom SN-4 Fixed Satellite Space Station License

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Boeing Company ("Boeing") hereby files this letter in support of the above-captioned applications filed by SES Americom, Inc. on March 25, 2005. Among other things, the applications request authority to repoint the Satcom SN-4 satellite and provide Ku-band service over water areas of International Telecommunication Union ("ITU") Region 1. Grant of the applications will enable SES Americom to provide Boeing with essential Ku-band satellite capacity for the Connexion by BoeingSM system to provide interim Pacific Ocean region ("I-POR") coverage pending launch of the AMC-23 satellite later this year.

In particular, Boeing urges the Commission to afford expedited treatment to SES Americom's application for special temporary authority ("STA"). Boeing's I-POR coverage is scheduled to commence on April 15, 2005, and testing prior to commencement of service needs to occur beginning April 1, 2005. Because SES Americom seeks an STA to operate for a brief 60-day period on a non-harmful interference basis only, and because SES Americom recognizes that the STA is subject to change or cancellation at any time upon reasonable notice and that any action taken pursuant to the STA is at its own risk and without prejudice to any action the Commission might take on the related space station modification application, the Commission may grant SES Americom's STA application on an expedited basis.

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Finally, Boeing would note that it will soon file an amendment to its pending application to modify the Connexion by BoeingSM Aeronautical Mobile-Satellite Service ("AMSS") blanket aircraft earth station ("AES") authorization (File No. SES-MOD-20040301-00304) to reflect the new SN-4 operational parameters requested in SES Americom's applications, as well as additional information relating to Boeing's request to operate U.S.-licensed AESs outside U.S. territory and territorial waters.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this submission.

Respectfully submitted,



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