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October 9, 2009

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Satellite Division  
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Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: DG Consents Sub, Inc (“DigitalGlobe”)  
File No. SAT-MOD-20070730-00107; Call Sign S2129  
Request for Determination of Compliance with Final Satellite System  
Implementation Milestone and Authority to Release Bond**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 25.165(d) of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. §25.165(d), as clarified by Public Notice dated August 6, 2003, Procedure for Filing Bonds Pursuant to New Satellite Licensing Procedure (Report No. SPB-187, DA 03-2602) (“the 2003 Public Notice”), DG Consents Sub, Inc. (“DigitalGlobe”) hereby submits information sufficient to establish completion of milestone number five (bring all the satellites in the licensed satellite system into operation) for the above referenced non-geostationary orbit satellite system, as set forth in Section 25.164(b)(5) of the Commission’s Rules (47 C.F.R. §25.164(b)(5)).

As reported in the national media, DigitalGlobe’s WorldView 110 satellite (commercially known as “WorldView -2”) was successfully launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California on October 8, 2009. The WorldView 110 satellite is currently in orbit, and is undergoing testing in its approach to full operational capability. See Declaration of S. Scott Smith (attached hereto). A copy of DigitalGlobe’s press release announcing the successful launch is also enclosed.

DigitalGlobe respectfully requests that the Commission promptly review the submitted information and issue a public notice confirming completion of milestone number five. In accordance with Section 25.165(d) of the Commission’s Rules and the 2003 Public Notice, upon issuance of this Public Notice, DigitalGlobe will have satisfied its milestone obligations and will be entitled to remove the bond (which currently stands at \$1,000,000).

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A copy of this letter will be posted electronically through the "milestone module" of the International Bureau's electronic filing system. DigitalGlobe respectfully urges expedited action on this bond reduction/removal request, as the bond must be renewed at considerable expense to DigitalGlobe if not authorized to be removed before October 21, 2009.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Stephen D. Baruch

*Counsel for DG Consents Sub, Inc.*

Enclosures

cc w/encl. (by e-mail): Roderick Porter (Acting Chief, International Bureau)  
Robert Nelson (Chief, IB Satellite Division)  
Stephen Duall (Chief, IB Policy Branch)

**DECLARATION**

I, S. Scott Smith, hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the following statements are true and correct to the best of my belief:

1. That I am the Chief Operating Officer of DigitalGlobe, Inc. ("DigitalGlobe"), which through a wholly-owned subsidiary company, DG Consents Sub, Inc., is authorized by the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") to add a nongeostationary orbit ("NGSO") remote-sensing satellite, WorldView 110 (also known commercially as WorldView-2) to its Earth Exploration Satellite Service ("EESS") system in the 8025-8400 MHz frequency band operating under the Commission Call Sign S2129.
2. That on October 8, 2009, the WorldView 110 satellite was successfully launched on board a Boeing Delta II rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California. Communications have been established with the satellite, and the spacecraft is now undergoing operational testing.
3. That the foregoing statements of fact are true and correct to the best of my belief.

By:   
S. Scott Smith  
Chief Operating Officer

Dated: October 9, 2009

## DigitalGlobe Announces the Successful Launch of WorldView-2

*Company's Most Recent High-Resolution, Remote-Sensing Satellite Launches from Vandenberg Air Force Base*

Longmont, Colo., October 8, 2009 – DigitalGlobe (NYSE: DGI), a leading global provider of commercial high-resolution world-imagery products and services for defense and intelligence, civil government, and commercial customers, today announced the successful launch and deployment of WorldView-2, the company's latest high-resolution, remote-sensing satellite. The satellite launched on a Boeing Delta II 7920 rocket from Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.

The DigitalGlobe ground station received a downlink signal confirming that the satellite successfully separated from its launch vehicle and automatically initialized its onboard processors. WorldView-2 is currently undergoing a calibration and check-out period. DigitalGlobe expects imagery products and services from WorldView-2 to be commercially available in approximately 90 days.

“The successful launch of WorldView-2 is an important milestone for the industry and for DigitalGlobe,” said Jill Smith, chairman and chief executive officer of DigitalGlobe. “Once commissioned, WorldView-2 will effectively double DigitalGlobe’s collection capacity, enabling us to provide at least annually updated coverage of the world as well as intra-day revisit for more rapid and reliable collection for our customers. Additionally, WorldView-2’s eight spectral bands will significantly enhance our ability to meet our customers’ needs for feature identification, change, detection, and other high-value services.”

As the most recent of the next-generation WorldView-class satellites, WorldView-2 features advanced agility and accuracy, industry-leading capacity, and eight-band multispectral imagery. WorldView-2 will collect multispectral imagery at 1.8 meter resolution and panchromatic imagery at .46 meters\*. The additional band capability supports improved levels of feature identification and extraction and more accurately reflects the world’s natural color.

The satellite was built by Ball Aerospace (NYSE: BLL) and the imaging sensor was provided by ITT Corporation’s (NYSE: ITT) Space Systems Division.

To learn more about advanced DigitalGlobe’s constellation of sub-meter satellites, please visit [www.digitalglobe.com](http://www.digitalglobe.com).

### **About DigitalGlobe**

DigitalGlobe (<http://www.digitalglobe.com>) is a leading global provider of commercial high-resolution earth imagery products and services. Sourced from our own advanced satellite constellation, our imagery solutions support a wide variety of uses within defense and intelligence, civil agencies, mapping and analysis, environmental monitoring, oil and gas exploration, infrastructure management, internet portals and navigation technology. With our collection sources and comprehensive ImageLibrary (containing more than 730 million square kilometers of earth imagery and imagery products) we offer a range of on- and off-line products and services designed to enable customers to easily access and integrate our imagery into their business operations and applications. For more information, please visit [www.digitalglobe.com](http://www.digitalglobe.com).

### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended. Forward-looking statements relate to future events or our future financial performance. We generally identify forward-looking statements by terminology such as “may,” “will,” “should,” “expects,” “plans,” “anticipates,” “could,” “intends,” “target,” “projects,” “contemplates,” “believes,” “estimates,” “predicts,” “potential” or other similar words, although not all forward-looking statements contain these words. Any forward-looking statements contained in this release are based upon our historical performance and on our current plans, estimates and expectations. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Our actual financial and operational results may vary materially from those indicated in these statements. Additional information regarding risk factors, uncertainties and assumption concerning our business is described more fully in documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). We undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which the statement is made or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

\*Due to current U.S. government restrictions, all imagery will be re-sampled to 2.0 meter multispectral and 0.50 meter panchromatic resolution unless the U.S. government has granted a customer specific waiver of the restriction.