# Before the **Federal Communications Commission** Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of	
PanAmSat Licensee Corp.	File No. SAT-MOD-
Application to Modify Authorization for Galaxy 12 (S2422)	

### APPLICATION OF PANAMSAT LICENSEE CORP. TO MODIFY AUTHORIZATION FOR GALAXY 12

PanAmSat Licensee Corp. ("PanAmSat"), pursuant to Section 25.117 of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission" or "FCC"), 47 C.F.R. § 25.117, hereby seeks to modify the authorization for the Galaxy 12 (S2422) satellite. Specifically, this application seeks permanent authority to relocate Galaxy 12 to, and to operate the satellite at, 129.0° W.L. PanAmSat is moving the satellite from 122.9° W.L. to 129.0° W.L. in order to continue to provide C-band capacity from the 129.0° W.L. location after the redeployment of Galaxy 27 (call sign S2159).<sup>1</sup>

In accordance with the requirements of the Commission's rules,<sup>2</sup> this application has been filed electronically as an attachment to FCC Form 312. PanAmSat provides the technical information relating to the proposed modification on Schedule S and in narrative form pursuant to Section 25.114 of the Commission's rules.

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See Intelsat North America Request for Special Temporary Authority to Drift Galaxy 27 to 45.10° E.L., File No. SAT-STA-20100105-00004 (filed Jan. 5, 2010).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 25.117(c).

### I. PANAMSAT REQUESTS AUTHORITY TO RELOCATE GALAXY 12 TO 129.0° W.L.

By this modification, PanAmSat requests authority to relocate Galaxy 12 to, and operate the satellite at, 129.0° W.L. Galaxy 12 is currently licensed to operate at 122.9° W.L., where it serves as an in-orbit spare. PanAmSat intends to begin drifting Galaxy 12 to 129.0° W.L. in late March 2010 and have the satellite at that location two to three few weeks later. At 129.0° W.L., Galaxy 12 is expected to carry traffic.

Galaxy 27, which currently operates at 129.0 W.L., is planned to be relocated to 45.10° E.L. upon receipt of Commission approval. PanAmSat plans to move Galaxy 12 to 129.0° W.L. in order to continue to offer C-band capacity at that location. Thus, grant of this modification application will serve the public interest.

Moreover, grant of this modification application will not result in increased risk of harmful interference. As noted above, at the 129.0° W.L. location, PanAmSat's sister company, Intelsat North America LLC, currently operates its Galaxy 27 satellite. PanAmSat will operate Galaxy 12 at 129.0° W.L. in accordance with existing PanAmSat and Intelsat coordination agreements and the FCC's rules governing operations at that location vis-à-vis adjacent locations.

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Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken, Report No. SAT-00553, File No. SAT-MOD-20080630-00133 (Sept. 5, 2009) (Public Notice).

#### II. **REQUEST FOR WAIVER**

PanAmSat requests that the waiver of Section 25.283(c) of the Commission's rules previously granted to the Galaxy 12 spacecraft continue to apply at the 129.0 W.L. location.<sup>4</sup> Section 25.283(c) of the Commission's rules requires an applicant to demonstrate that all stored energy will be vented at the spacecraft's end of life.<sup>5</sup>

#### III. **CONCLUSION**

For the reasons set forth above, PanAmSat respectfully requests that the Commission grant this modification application.

Respectfully submitted,

PanAmSat Licensee Corp.

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See PanAmSat Licensee Corp., Modification of Authorization for Galaxy 12 to 122.9 W.L., File No. SAT-MOD-20080630-00133, condition 3 (stamp grant, Sept. 2, 2008).

<sup>47</sup> C.F.R. § 25.283(c).

# Exhibit A FCC Form 312, Response to Question 34: Foreign Ownership

The Commission previously approved the foreign ownership in PanAmSat Licensee Corp. See Intelsat Holdings, Ltd. and Serafina Holdings Limited, Consolidated Application for Consent to Transfer of Control of Holders of Title II and Title III Authorizations, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 22 FCC Rcd 22,151 (2007) ("Intelsat-Serafina Order"). In December 2009, the Commission also approved certain pro forma changes in PanAmSat's foreign ownership. There have been no other material changes to the foreign ownership since the date of the Intelsat-Serafina Order.

## **Exhibit B** FCC Form 312, Response to Question 36: Cancelled Authorizations

PanAmSat Licensee Corp. has never had an FCC license "revoked."

However, on June 26, 2000, the International Bureau "cancelled" two Ka-band satellite authorizations issued to PanAmSat Licensee Corp. based on the Bureau's finding that PanAmSat Licensee Corp. had not satisfied applicable construction milestones. *See* PanAmSat Licensee Corp., Memorandum Opinion and Order, DA 00-1266, 15 FCC Rcd 18720 (IB 2000). In that same order, the Bureau denied related applications to modify the cancelled authorizations. PanAmSat Licensee Corp. filed an application for review of the Bureau's decision, which the Commission denied, and subsequently filed an appeal with the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, which was dismissed in January 2003 at PanAmSat Licensee Corp.'s request. Notwithstanding the fact that the Bureau's action does not seem to be the kind of revocation action contemplated by question 36, PanAmSat Licensee Corp. is herein making note of the decision in the interest of absolute candor and out of an abundance of caution. In any event, the Bureau's action with respect to PanAmSat Licensee Corp. does not reflect on PanAmSat Licensee Corp.'s basic qualifications, which are well-established and a matter of public record.

### Exhibit C FCC Form 312, Response to Question 40: Officers, Directors, and Ten Percent or Greater Shareholders

Following are the officers of PanAmSat Licensee Corp.:

Steve Spengler, Chairman of the Board, President & Chief Operating Officer Patricia Casey, Senior Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary Anita Beier, Senior Vice President & Controller Hank Courson, Vice President & Treasurer

Following are the directors of PanAmSat Licensee Corp.:

Steve Spengler Patricia Casey Anita Beier

The address of all PanAmSat Licensee Corp. officers and directors is:

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PanAmSat Licensee Corp., a Delaware corporation, is wholly owned by Intelsat International Systems LLC (formerly known as PanAmSat International Systems LLC), a Delaware limited liability company. Intelsat International Systems LLC is wholly owned by Intelsat Corporation (formerly known as PanAmSat Corporation). Intelsat Corporation holds 59% of Intelsat International Systems LLC directly and 41% indirectly. (Specifically, Intelsat Corporation wholly owns 100% of PanAmSat International Holdings LLC, which wholly owns USHI, LLC, which in turn holds a direct, 41% interest in Intelsat International Systems LLC.) Intelsat Corporation is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intelsat Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation. Intelsat Holding Corporation is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intelsat Luxembourg Finance Company Sarl, a Luxembourg company. Intelsat Luxembourg Finance Company Sarl is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intelsat (Gibraltar) Limited, a Gibraltar company. Intelsat (Gibraltar) Limited is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Intelsat Jackson Holdings, S.A., a Luxembourg company. Intelsat Jackson Holdings, S.A. is wholly owned by Intelsat (Luxembourg), S.A., a Luxembourg company. Intelsat (Luxembourg), S.A. is wholly owned by Intelsat, S.A., a Luxembourg company. Intelsat, S.A. is wholly owned by Intelsat Holdings, S.A., a Luxembourg company. Intelsat Holdings, S.A. is wholly owned by Intelsat Global Subsidiary, S.A., a Luxembourg company. Intelsat Global Subsidiary, S.A. is wholly owned by Intelsat Global, S.A., a Luxembourg company ("Intelsat Global", formerly "Serafina Holdings Limited"). Each of these entities may be contacted at the following address: 23 avenue Monterey, L-2086 Luxembourg.

Intelsat Global's ownership was approved by the Commission in the *Intelsat-Serafina Order*, has not changed materially and is incorporated by reference. *See Intelsat Holdings, Ltd. and Serafina Holdings Limited, Consolidated Application for Consent to Transfer of Control of Holders of Title II and Title III Authorizations*, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 22 FCC Rcd 22,151 (2007) ("*Intelsat-Serafina Order*").