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**VIA IBFS**

Jose Albuquerque  
Chief, Satellite Division  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: License to Operate EchoStar 18 at 61.35° W.L.  
IBFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20160722-00067; Call Sign S2931

Dear Mr. Albuquerque:

Pursuant to the conditions of its above-referenced license, granted on September 8, 2016, to operate EchoStar 18 as an in-orbit spare at 61.35° W.L., DISH Operating L.L.C. hereby certifies that the satellite has been successfully placed into orbit and its operations fully conform to the terms and conditions of its license.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Alison A. Minea  
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**DISH Operating L.L.C.**

cc: Stephen Duall