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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: New Skies Satellites B.V. Petition for U.S. Market Access for SES-6
File No. SAT-PPL-20120717-00117 (Call Sign S2870)**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

New Skies Satellites B.V. (doing business as “SES”), pursuant to Section 1.65 of the Commission’s rules, hereby updates the record regarding the above-referenced petition seeking authority to use the SES-6 satellite to serve the U.S. market.

Specifically, SES does not at this time propose to use the extended Ku-band downlink frequencies (10.95-11.2 GHz and 11.45-11.7 GHz) on SES-6 for direct-to-home service (“DTH”) to U.S. customers. Accordingly, SES withdraws the portion of its request for SES-6 DTH authority that relates to these bands.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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