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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"), by its attorney and 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 propose to use SES-6 capacity in the Appendix 30B C-band (4500-4800 MHz downlink and 6725-7025 MHz uplink) to deliver direct-to-home programming ("DTH") to U.S. customers. Accordingly, SES withdraws its request for Commission DTH authority for SES-6 in this spectrum.¹

SES requests that the Commission update its records to reflect this change and seeks expedited grant of U.S. market access for SES-6. Please address any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ SES may use SES-6 Appendix 30B C-band capacity to uplink programming from U.S. gateways for delivery of DTH services to customers outside the U.S., but such feeder link operations are considered fixed-satellite service, not DTH.