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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Via Hand Delivery

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

**Re: XM Radio Inc.
Commencement of Operation of XM-4 (Call Sign S2616) at 115°WL
File No. SAT-RPL-20040212-00018**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 26, 2005, the International Bureau issued XM Radio Inc. a license to launch and operate a replacement satellite -- XM-4, Call Sign S2616 -- at the 115°WL orbital location. See *Order and Authorization*, DA 05-180, File No. SAT-RPL-20040212-00018 (January 26, 2005) ("*XM-4 Licensing Order*").

Pursuant to paragraph 38 of the *XM-4 Licensing Order*, XM hereby certifies that XM-4 has been drifted to the 115°WL orbital location and is fully operational at that location as of December 15, 2006.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James S. Blitz', written over a printed name and title.

James S. Blitz
Vice President, Regulatory Counsel

cc: Stephen Duall, FCC International Bureau