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Gentlemen:

GE American Communications, Inc. ("GE Americom") hereby applies for special temporary authorization, for the maximum 180-day period, to continue to operate its Satcom SN2 satellite beyond the September 1994 end of its current license.

Satcom SN2 initiated operations in September 1984 and was licensed to operate for a period of ten years. Although this license is about to expire, sufficient fuel remains on board Satcom SN2 to continue spacecraft operations beyond September 1994.

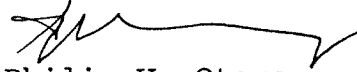
Special temporary authorization is necessary so that GE Americom can continue to offer sufficient ongoing satellite capacity for its customers. Such temporary authorization will also contribute towards the Commission's policy goal of achieving the most efficient utilization of orbit and spectrum resources, since Satcom SN2 has remaining useful life and can continue to provide valuable customer services at its present orbital location at 69° W.L.

For these reasons, good cause exists to grant Satcom SN2 special temporary authorization to continue operating for an additional one hundred and eighty days.

A completed Form FCC 159 and a check for \$705 accompanies this request. Will you please date-stamp the enclosed copy of this

letter and return it to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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