

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re:

Intelsat 709

Call Sign: S2396

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat") hereby notifies the Commission that it has successfully de-orbited its Intelsat 709 satellite. The de-orbiting was completed on February 1, 2013. The final measured orbit of the Intelsat 709 satellite is 308 km above the geostationary arc, with an apogee and perigee of 332 km and 284 km above the arc, respectively. In the course of de-orbiting the satellite, Intelsat depleted the propellant tanks, discharged the batteries, disconnected the power from the bus, and shut off the transmitters.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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