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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC, Request for Special Temporary Authority to Relocate DIRECTV 3 to 82° W.L. and To Conduct Telemetry, Tracking and Command ("TTAC") Operations for an Interim Period, File No. SAT-STA-20030903-00300

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Telesat Canada ("Telesat"), by its attorneys, pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"),¹ provides this notice of an *ex parte* meeting and several *ex parte* telephone calls in the above-referenced proceeding in which DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC ("DIRECTV") seeks special temporary authority to relocate the DIRECTV 3 satellite to the Canadian 82° W.L. broadcast satellite service ("BSS") orbital location ("DIRECTV 3 STA Request").

On June 17, 2004, Bert W. Rein and Jennifer D. Hindin of Wiley Rein & Fielding LLP, counsel to Telesat Canada ("Telesat"), and Susan M. Eid, Vice President, Government Relations, The DIRECTV Group, and William M. Wiltshire of Harris, Wiltshire and Grannis LLP, counsel to DIRECTV, met with Sheryl Wilkerson and Bethany Smocer of the Office of the Chairman, FCC. The purpose of the meeting was to reiterate DIRECTV's and Telesat's interest in prompt grant of the long pending DIRECTV 3 STA request.

During the meeting, the participants discussed Telesat's customer's urgent need for satellite capacity for the provision of BSS service to consumers in Canada. The participants also noted the successful conclusion of informal understandings of the FCC and Industry Canada concerning certain technical issues involved in the operation of DIRECTV 3 in a Canadian orbital location. Telesat and DIRECTV then noted that there were no remaining additional substantive issues in the record to be resolved. Finally, Telesat and DIRECTV requested the FCC to consider granting the requested STA in whole or in part (limited to removal of DIRECTV's current inclination) on an immediate oral or stamp-grant basis for 30 days subject

¹ 47 C.F.R. §1.1206.

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to, and pending the conclusion of, a written order setting for the requisite terms and conditions of operation.

Also on June 17, 2004, Ms. Hindin, on behalf of Telesat, telephoned Breck Blaylock, Thomas Tycz and Karl Kensinger, all of the International Bureau, to discuss these same issues.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned counsel for Telesat. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer D. Hindin".

Bert W. Rein
Jennifer D. Hindin

cc: Sheryl Wilkerson
Breck Blaylock
Thomas Tycz
Karl Kensinger