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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
APPLICATION FOR SPACE STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

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Extension of Special Temporary Authority to continue relocation of the GSTAR 4 Ku-band satellite to the 165

1. Applicant

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Attachment
Conditions of Authorization – SAT-STA-20031209-00349

1. SES Americom, Inc.'s application, SAT-STA-20031209-00349, IS GRANTED and SES Americom, Inc. is authorized to continue operating the tracking, telemetry and command ("TT&C") systems on its GSTAR 4 satellite, callsign GSTAR 4, for a period of December 9, 2003 to January 29, 2004 to drift, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and technical specifications set forth in its application and this Attachment; and
2. During the drift of the GSTAR 4 satellite out of the 105°W. L. location towards the 165°W.L. orbital location, SES Americom shall not operate the communications payload on the satellite; and
3. SES Americom, INC. shall coordinate all its TT&C operations with existing geostationary satellites to ensure that no unacceptable interference results from its TT&C operations during its drift operations; and
4. During the drift no harmful interference shall be caused by GSTAR 4 to any other lawfully operating in-orbit satellite, and operations of the GSTAR 4 satellite shall cease immediately upon notification of such interference; and
5. SES Americom is required to accept interference from other lawfully operating in-orbit satellites; and
6. Grant of this special temporary authority does not, in any way, prejudice Commission action on any pending or future SES Americom application for permanent or temporary authority, or for modification of permanent or temporary authority, to operate any satellite at the 165° W.L. orbital location; and
7. Any action taken or expense incurred as a result of operations pursuant to this special temporary authority is solely at SES Americom's own risk.
8. SES Americom, Inc. is afforded thirty days from the date of release of this grant and authorization to decline this authorization as conditioned. Failure to respond within this period will constitute formal acceptance of the authorization as conditioned.
9. This Grant is issued pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261, and is effective upon release. Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106, 1.115, may be filed within 30 days of the date of the public notice indicating that this action was taken.

2. Contact

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(If your application is related to an application filed with the Commission, enter the file number below.)

3. Reference File Number SATSTA2003093000306

4a. Is a fee submitted with this application?

- If Yes, complete and attach FCC Form 159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114).
- Governmental Entity Noncommercial educational licensee
- Other (please explain):

4b. Fee Classification CRY – Space Station (Geostationary)

5. Type Request

- Change Station Location Extend Expiration Date Other

6. Temporary Orbit Location
165 W.L.

7. Requested Extended Expiration Date
2004-02-09 00:00:00.0

8. Description (If the complete description does not appear in this box, please go to the end of the form to view it in its entirety.)

SES AMERICOM seeks extension of its temporary authority for a period of sixty days to continue the relocation of GSTAR 4 toward 165 W.L.

9. By checking Yes, the undersigned certifies that neither applicant nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. See 47 CFR 1.2002(b) for the meaning of "party to the application"; for these purposes. Yes No

10. Name of Person Signing
Scott Tollefsen

11. Title of Person Signing
Vice President and Associate General Counsel

12. Please supply any need attachments.

Attachment 1: Att. 1

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of Application by)
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SES AMERICOM, INC.) File No. SAT-STA-_____)
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For Extension of Special Temporary)
Authority To Relocate GSTAR 4)

APPLICATION OF SES AMERICOM, INC.

SES AMERICOM, Inc. (“SES AMERICOM”) hereby respectfully requests a sixty-day extension of its special temporary authority permitting the relocation of the GSTAR 4 Ku-band satellite.¹ Grant of the requested extension will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

SES AMERICOM began drifting GSTAR 4 away from the 105° W.L. orbital location towards 165° W.L. pursuant to authority granted by the Commission in October. SES AMERICOM has separately requested special temporary authority to operate GSTAR 4 at 165° W.L. once the spacecraft arrives at that orbital location.²

SES AMERICOM requested authority to move GSTAR 4 out of 105° W.L. because the spacecraft was no longer needed to provide service there, and

¹ See File No. SAT-STA-20030930-00306, granted October 8, 2003.

² See File No. SAT-STA-20031001-00307, filed Oct. 1, 2003. The Commission placed this application on public notice on October 10. See Report No. SAT-00170. No comments were filed in response to the public notice.

maintaining the satellite at that position was having a negative impact on services being provided from that location. Subsequent to grant of the initial STA request, SES AMERICOM has been drifting the satellite to the West at a rate of .38 degrees a day. SES AMERICOM proposes to continue drifting the spacecraft toward 165° W.L. during the next two months.

For the foregoing reasons, SES AMERICOM seeks extension of its temporary authority for a period of sixty days to continue the relocation of GSTAR 4 toward 165° W.L. at the company's own risk and pursuant to the same conditions imposed in connection with the previous authorization. SES AMERICOM hereby certifies that no party to this application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862.

Respectfully submitted,

SES AMERICOM, INC.

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