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Re: PanAmSat Licensee Corp.;  
SAT-STA-20040518-00095

Dear Ms. Dortch:

PanAmSat Licensee Corp. ("PanAmSat"), by its attorneys, hereby withdraws the above-referenced application for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") and requests refund of the corresponding application fee for the reasons described herein.

PanAmSat is conditionally authorized to operate SBS-4 at 124.95° W.L. on a non-interference basis.<sup>1</sup> On May 18, 2004, PanAmSat filed several related applications in connection with a proposed transfer of control of PanAmSat to Constellation LLC *et al.*, including the above-referenced application, which sought an STA to continue operating SBS-4 following consummation of the transfer of control. In subsequent discussions with the International Bureau's staff, PanAmSat was advised that the conditional authorization for SBS-4 should be treated as a regular license, rather than an STA, for purposes of the transfer of control applications. Accordingly, PanAmSat has filed a separate application on FCC Form 312 for transfer of control of the conditional authorization for SBS-4,<sup>2</sup> and hereby withdraws the above-referenced STA request.

<sup>1</sup> See Order and Authorization, DA 04-277 (Feb. 6, 2004).

<sup>2</sup> File No. SAT-T/C-20040527-00108.

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary

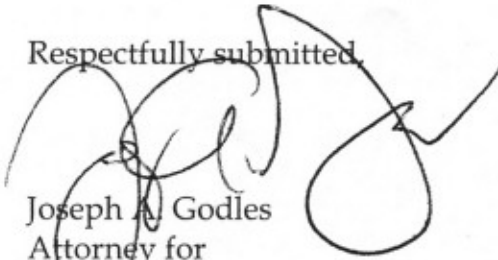
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PanAmSat also hereby requests a refund of the filing fee that accompanied its STA request, based on the fact that the staff's determination that the conditional authorization should be treated as a regular license for purposes of the transfer of control rendered PanAmSat's STA request unnecessary.<sup>3</sup>

Please direct any questions that you may have with regard to this matter to PanAmSat's undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph A. Godles", is written over the typed name and title.

Joseph A. Godles  
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PanAmSat Licensee Corp.

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<sup>3</sup> Cf. 47 C.F.R. § 1.1113(a)(4).