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Re: In The Matter Of SES Americom, Inc. Request For Special Temporary Authority To Operate The AMC-15 Satellite At The 117° W.L. Orbital Location, SAT-STA-20041130-00214.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative (NRTC) submits this letter in response to the above referenced application (*November STA*) filed by SES Americom, Inc. (SES), on November 30, 2004. The *November STA* is closely linked to a similar application filed by SES in October (*October STA*), which seeks broader operational authority.¹

NRTC filed a Petition to Deny the *October STA* and is not opposed to grant of the *November STA*, so long as the Commission expressly makes clear that the grant is without prejudice to disposition of the *October STA* and the NRTC Petition to Deny.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Jack Richards
Kevin Rupy

¹ FCC File No. SAT-STA-20041012-00198

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 1st day of December, 2004, a true and correct copy of the foregoing correspondence of the National Rural Telecommunications Cooperative in the matter of SES Americom, Inc. Request For Special Temporary Authority To Operate The AMC-15 Satellite At The 117° W.L. Orbital Location, SAT-STA-20041130-00214, was submitted via hand delivery to the Federal Communications Commission, and served via electronic mail and First Class Mail upon the following:

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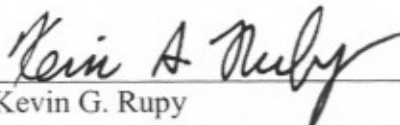
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