

**Request for Special Temporary Authority
Intelsat 604**

Intelsat North America LLC ("Intelsat"), pursuant to 25.120 of the FCC's rules,¹ requests Special Temporary Authority ("STA")² for 30 days, from January 30, 2006 to March 1, 2006, to stop the drift of INTELSAT 604 and operate in inclined orbit at 177.85° E.L. Intelsat currently holds authority to relocate and operate the INTELSAT 604 satellite in inclined orbit at the 178° E.L. orbital location.³ Pursuant to that authority, the INTELSAT 604 satellite is currently drifting, and is quite close, to the 178° E.L. orbital location.

Stopping the drift of INTELSAT 604 at 177.85° E.L. and subsequent operation in that location will serve the public interest by accommodating a co-location/coordination agreement with Inmarsat and allowing Intelsat flexibility to achieve a safe and efficient station keeping of the INTELSAT 604 satellite with an Inmarsat satellite located at the 178.1° E.L. orbital location.

Operation of INTELSAT 604 at 177.85° E.L., rather than 178.0° E.L., poses no risk of harmful interference to other satellites operating at nearby orbital locations in the same frequencies.⁴

For the reasons set forth herein, Intelsat respectfully requests that the Commission promptly grant this request.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §25.120.

² Intelsat has filed this STA request, an FCC Form 159 and a \$735.00 filing fee electronically via the International Bureau's Filing System.

³ Fleet Management Notice of Intelsat North America LLC of Modification of Authorization for INTELSAT 604, File No. SAT-MOD-20050817-00161 (filed Aug. 17, 2005 (requesting authority to move the INTELSAT 604 satellite from the 157° E.L. slot to the 178° E.L. slot with an expected arrival date at the new slot of either January or February 2006); *Policy Branch Information, Satellite Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing* (Public Notice), File No. SAT-MOD-20050817-00161, Rept. No. SAT-00316 (Aug. 26, 2005) (publishing notice of above application); *Policy Branch Information, Actions Taken* (Public Notice), File No. SAT-MOD-20050817-00161, Rep. No. SAT-00324 (Oct. 7, 2005) (granting requested modification as of Sept. 16, 2005).

⁴ Other than the Inmarsat satellite at 178.1° E.L., only Intelsat satellites operate at locations adjacent to 177.85° E.L.