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VIA IBFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Intelsat North America LLC, Request for Special Temporary Authority
for Intelsat 603, File No. SAT-STA-20091209-00143 (call sign S2399)**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat North America LLC (“Intelsat North America”), by counsel, files this letter to clarify the above-referenced application for Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to drift the Intelsat 603 satellite (call sign S2399) from 340.05° E.L. (19.95° W.L.) to 11.5° E.L.

The pending STA request states that “[u]pon completion of the maneuvers required to place Intelsat 603 at 11.5° E.L., Intelsat will notify the Commission and surrender its license for the Intelsat 603 satellite.”¹ Intelsat North America clarifies that it will not surrender its license prior to having received FCC authority to transfer the Intelsat 603 satellite from United States to United Kingdom licensing authority.² If, upon completion of the drift, such authority has not yet been granted, Intelsat North America acknowledges that operation of the Intelsat 603 satellite would require additional Commission approval.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer D. Hindin

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¹ Intelsat North America LLC, Request for Special Temporary Authority for Intelsat 603, File No. SAT-STA-20091209-00143 at 1 (filed Dec. 9, 2009).

² Intelsat North America LLC, Application for Transfer of Control of the Intelsat 603 Satellite (Call Sign S2399), File No. SAT-T/C-20100112-00008 (filed Jan. 12, 2010).