

April 2, 2010

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



Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority for Intelsat 3R
Call Sign: PAS-2R

Dear Ms. Dortch:

PanAmSat Licensee Corp. ("PanAmSat") herein requests Special Temporary Authority ("STA")¹ for 180 days beginning June 1, 2010 to drift Intelsat 3R (call sign PAS-2R) from 43.1° W.L. to 81.0° W.L., and to operate the satellite temporarily at 81.0° W.L. in accordance with the Argentine Administration's C- and Ku-band ITU filings.

PanAmSat currently operates Intelsat 3R at the 43.1° W.L. location pursuant to STA,² where it is collocated with Intelsat 11 (call sign S2237).³ PanAmSat is seeking to redeploy Intelsat 3R to 81.0° W.L. in order to satisfy a short-term customer demand for service at that location.⁴

PanAmSat expects to have Intelsat 3R at 81.0° W.L. in early October. During the drift, PanAmSat will utilize only Intelsat 3R's TT&C frequencies and will follow industry practices for coordinating TT&C transmissions during the relocation process. The specific TT&C frequencies are as follows:

Uplink:

6424.5 MHz (H)

¹ PanAmSat has filed this STA request, an FCC Form 159 and an \$830.00 filing fee electronically via the International Bureau's Filing System.

² See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00619, File No. SAT-STA-20090129-00012 (July 24, 2009) (Public Notice); *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00663, File No. SAT-STA-20100122-00016 (Jan. 29, 2010) (Public Notice); *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00677, File Nos. SAT-STA-20100218-00030 and SAT-STA-20100323-00055 (Apr. 2, 2010) (Public Notice).

³ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00617, File No. SAT-MOD-20090108-00004 (July 10, 2009) (Public Notice).

⁴ PanAmSat subsequently will file an STA request to redeploy Intelsat 3R to a different location after its temporary operation at 81.0° W.L.

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5925.5 MHz (H)

Downlink:

4198.5 MHz (H), (V)

4199 MHz (H), (V)

At 81.0° W.L., PanAmSat will operate Intelsat 3R in accordance with the Argentine Administration's C- and Ku-band ITU filings. PanAmSat attaches herewith as Attachments 1 and 2, respectively, copies of (1) a letter from the President of Empresa Argentina de Soluciones Satelitales S. A. ("AR-SAT") certifying that the company holds a valid authorization from the Argentine Government to operate a satellite at the nominal 81.0° W.L. location and that Intelsat (PanAmSat's parent) may operate the U.S.-licensed Intelsat 3R satellite at that location for a period of up to one month within the next ten months, and (2) a letter from the Argentine Secretary of Communications attaching a true and correct copy of AR-SAT's authorization and stating that said authorization is in full force and effect.⁵

Grant of this STA request is in the public interest because it will allow PanAmSat to meet a customer demand for temporary service. Moreover, because Intelsat 3R currently is collocated with Intelsat 11 at the nominal 43.0° W.L. location, the relocation of Intelsat 3R will not result in loss of service at that nominal location.

Grant of this STA request will not result in increased risk of harmful interference. As noted above, PanAmSat will operate only TT&C frequencies during the drift, and will coordinate its TT&C transmissions with operators of satellites in the drift path. Should any interference occur during the drift, PanAmSat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate such interference. While the satellite is on-station at 81.0° W.L., PanAmSat will operate it in conformance with Argentina's coordination agreements regarding the location.

⁵ The letters are in both Spanish and English.

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For the reasons set forth herein, PanAmSat respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan H. Crandall". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Susan H. Crandall
Assistant General Counsel
Intelsat Corporation

Attachments

Cc: Bob Nelson
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