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Robert Nelson, Chief Satellite Division, International Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: EchoStar Corporation, Certification of EchoStar 15 Operations, File No. SAT-LOA-20100310-00043; Call Sign: S2811

Dear Mr. Nelson:

On behalf of EchoStar Corporation ("EchoStar"), this letter certifies to the Commission pursuant to condition 4 of the above referenced application grant that the EchoStar 15 satellite has been successfully placed into orbit, is operational, and fully complies to the terms and conditions of its authorization. The satellite became fully operational at 61.55° W.L. on August 4, 2010. EchoStar will continue to operate the satellite pursuant to the above referenced authorization and attendant conditions.

Yours sincerely,

/s/

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