

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of Application of)
)
SES AMERICOM, INC.) File No. SAT-STA-_____
) Call Sign S2156
For Special Temporary Authority to)
Relocate AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L.)

EXPEDITED ACTION REQUESTED

APPLICATION OF SES AMERICOM, INC.

SES Americom, Inc. (“SES Americom,” doing business as “SES WORLD SKIES”¹) hereby respectfully requests special temporary authority for a period of sixty days to relocate the AMC-5 Ku-band satellite from 78.95° W.L. to 79.05° W.L., where it will serve as an in-orbit spare. SES WORLD SKIES recently filed a modification application to reassign AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L.² Pending action on the AMC-5 Modification, SES WORLD SKIES seeks authority to perform Tracking, Telemetry, Command, and Monitoring (“TTC&M”) in order to relocate AMC-5 from 78.95° W.L. to 79.05° W.L., and to operate both the TTC&M and communications payloads on AMC-5 once it arrives at 79.05° W.L. SES WORLD SKIES respectfully requests action on this STA request by July 1, 2010. Grant of the requested authority will simplify stationkeeping at the nominal 79° W.L. orbital location and permit SES WORLD SKIES to make efficient use of its space stations to provide service to customers.

¹ On September 7, 2009, SES S.A. announced that the newly integrated operations of its two indirect subsidiaries, New Skies Satellites B.V. and SES Americom would be conducted under a single brand name, SES WORLD SKIES. The new brand name does not affect the underlying legal entities that hold Commission authorizations or U.S. market access rights.

² File No. SAT-MOD-20100525-00110 (Call Sign S2156) (the “AMC-5 Modification”). This application has not yet appeared on public notice.

In the AMC-5 Modification, SES WORLD SKIES explained that it currently operates two satellites at the nominal 79° W.L. orbital location: AMC-5, a conventional Ku-band space station, is assigned to 78.95° W.L., and Satcom C-3, a conventional C-band space station, is assigned to 79.05° W.L.³ SES WORLD SKIES has proposed to relocate its hybrid AMC-2 spacecraft from 101° W.L. to 78.95° W.L. to replace both AMC-5 and Satcom C-3 at the nominal 79° W.L. orbital location.⁴ SES WORLD SKIES intends to deorbit Satcom C-3 later this year, and in the interim has requested authority to relocate the spacecraft to 79.15° W.L.⁵ Once traffic has been transferred from AMC-5 to AMC-2 and Satcom C-3 has been repositioned, SES WORLD SKIES proposes to relocate AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L., the position that will be vacated by Satcom C-3, and operate it there in inclined orbit. AMC-5 will then serve as an in-orbit spare for the Ku-band capacity of AMC-2.

AMC-2 will be available for relocation from 101° W.L. in mid-June, once its traffic has been transferred to the recently-launched SES-1 spacecraft.⁶ Pending action on the AMC-5 Modification, SES WORLD SKIES proposes to commence relocation of AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L. once AMC-2 has arrived at 78.95° W.L. and AMC-5's traffic has been transferred to AMC-2. Specifically, SES WORLD SKIES requests authority to perform Tracking, Telemetry, Command, and Monitoring ("TTC&M") in order to relocate AMC-5 from 78.95° W.L. to 79.05°

³ The "conventional Ku-band" refers to the 11.7-12.2 GHz and 14.0-14.5 GHz frequencies. The "conventional C-band" refers to the 3700-4200 MHz and 5925-6425 MHz frequencies.

⁴ See File No. SAT-MOD-20100324-00056 (Call Sign S2134).

⁵ See File No. SAT-STA-20100525-00109 (Call Sign S2447).

⁶ See File Nos. SAT-RPL-20100120-00014; SAT-AMD-20100309-00040 (Call Sign S2807), grant-stamped Apr. 20, 2010

W.L. and authority to operate both the TTC&M and Ku-band communications payloads on AMC-5 after it has arrived at 79.05° W.L.

The AMC-5 Modification includes a technical showing regarding the proposed operations of AMC-5 at 79.05° W.L.⁷ That information, which SES WORLD SKIES incorporates by reference herein, demonstrates that relocation of AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L. as proposed herein will not harm adjacent satellite operators. During the drift, SES WORLD SKIES will use only the satellite's TTC&M frequencies and will follow industry practices for coordinating TTC&M transmissions during relocation. Upon arrival at 79.05° W.L., AMC-5 will be operated consistent with existing and future coordination agreements applicable to SES WORLD SKIES' operations at the nominal 79° W.L. orbital location, including the coordination agreement addressing the Argentine Administration's ITU filings at 81° W.L.

SES WORLD SKIES hereby certifies that no party to this application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862.

SES WORLD SKIES waives any claim to the use of any particular frequency or of the electromagnetic spectrum as against the regulatory power of the United States because of the previous use of the same, whether by license or otherwise, and requests an authorization in accordance with this application.

⁷ AMC-4 Modification, Technical Appendix.

For the foregoing reasons, SES WORLD SKIES seeks temporary authority for a period of up to 60 days to relocate AMC-5 to 79.05° W.L., to operate the TTC&M payload during the drift to that location, and to operate the TTC&M and Ku-band communications payloads upon arrival of AMC-5 at 79.05° W.L.

Respectfully submitted,

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