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APPLICATION FOR SPACE STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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Renewal of Special Temporary Authority to Operate EchoStar 3 as an In-Orbit Spare at 61.45 W.L.

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Attachment to Grant
EchoStar Corporation
IBFS File No. SAT-STA-20110202-00021
Call Sign S2741
February 9, 2011

EchoStar Corporation is granted special temporary authority to continue operating the EchoStar 3 space station (Call Sign S2741) at the 61.45° W.L. orbital location for a period of 30 days commencing on February 5, 2011. Operations pursuant to this authorization shall be in accordance with conditions imposed as part of EchoStar Corporation's initial authorization to operate EchoStar 3 at this orbital location, granted on August 6, 2010. IBFS File No. SAT-STA-20100803-00173.

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3. Reference File Number SATSTA2011010300002 or Submission ID			
4a. Is a fee submitted with this application?			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> If Yes, complete and attach FCC Form 159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114).			
<input type="radio"/> Governmental Entity <input type="radio"/> Noncommercial educational licensee			
<input type="radio"/> Other (please explain):			
4b. Fee Classification			
5. Type Request			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Change Station Location <input checked="" type="radio"/> Extend Expiration Date <input type="radio"/> Other			
6. Temporary Orbit Location		7. Requested Extended Expiration Date	
61.45 W.L.		2011-03-07 00:00:00.0	

8. Description (If the complete description does not appear in this box, please go to the end of the form to view it in its entirety.)

EchoStar Corporation requests renewal of its Special Temporary Authority to operate its EchoStar 3 satellite as an in-orbit spare at 61.45 W.L. See attached narrative.

9. By checking Yes, the undersigned certifies that neither applicant nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. See 47 CFR 1.2002(b) for the meaning of "party to the application"; party to the application; for these purposes. Yes No

10. Name of Person Signing
Alison Minea

11. Title of Person Signing
Corporate Counsel

12. Please supply any need attachments.

Attachment 1: Narrative

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

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

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In the Matter of)	Call Sign S2741
ECHOSTAR CORPORATION)	File No. SAT-STA-20100615-00135
Application to Renew Its Special Temporary)	File No. SAT-STA-20100803-00173
Authority to Operate EchoStar 3 as an)	File No. SAT-STA-20100901-00189
In-Orbit Spare at 61.45° W.L.)	File No. SAT-STA-20101004-00208
)	File No. SAT-STA-20101105-00231
)	File No. SAT-STA-20101201-00249
)	File No. SAT-STA-20110103-00002
)	File No. SAT-STA-2011_____

APPLICATION FOR RENEWAL OF SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

EchoStar Corporation (“EchoStar”) hereby requests renewal of its special temporary authority (“STA”) for an additional 30 days to operate the EchoStar 3 satellite at 61.45° W.L. as an in-orbit spare. Pursuant to the Commission’s authorization, EchoStar moved the satellite to that orbital location on July 10, 2010 to accommodate EchoStar 15,¹ and the current STA to operate there expires on February 5, 2011.²

As the Commission is aware, on July 10, 2010, EchoStar successfully launched EchoStar 15, a 32-transponder Direct Broadcast Satellite (“DBS”) that, in light of the loss of AMC-14, is effectively replacing EchoStar 3.³ The satellite became fully operational on August 5, 2010. To accommodate testing and operation of EchoStar 15 at 61.55° W.L., and the concurrent and efficient operation of EchoStar’s other satellites at the nominal 61.5° W.L. orbital location, the EchoStar 3 satellite was moved to 61.45° W.L. EchoStar 3, along with EchoStar 6 and EchoStar

¹ See Stamp Grant, File No. SAT-STA-20100615-00135 (granted July 7, 2010).

² See Stamp Grant, File No. SAT-STA-20110103-00002 (granted Jan. 13, 2011).

³ See Stamp Grant, File No. SAT-LOA-20100310-00043 (granted July 1, 2010).

12, will supplement the service, as needed, provided by EchoStar 15 to maintain regular programming. The continued operation of EchoStar 3 ensures that EchoStar's customer, DISH Network L.L.C., will be able to continue providing DBS service to consumers without any service interruptions.

I. RENEWAL IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST AND WILL NOT CAUSE HARMFUL INTERFERENCE

For the same reason the previous STA was granted, so too is this modest extension in the public interest. Grant of this application will ensure safe station-keeping margins for each of the satellites that will be located at the nominal 61.5° W.L. orbital location. Grant of this application also will not cause harmful interference because EchoStar 3 has moved 0.05 degrees to the east, farther away from the nearest Broadcasting Satellite Service satellite other than EchoStar's satellites, DIRECTV 1R, which is operating at 72.5° W.L. Furthermore, while EchoStar 3 is operating at 61.45° W.L., it will continue to abide by the conditions set forth in the initial grant.⁴

EchoStar notes that although EchoStar 3 is currently in storage configuration and not broadcasting to earth, in the event of a technical failure of another satellite, EchoStar may bring EchoStar 3 back into use. This will ensure that there is no interruption of service to DBS consumers.

II. WAIVER PURSUANT TO SECTION 304 OF THE ACT

In accordance with Section 304 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 304, EchoStar hereby 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.

⁴ See Stamp Grant, File No. SAT-STA-20100803-00173 (granted Aug. 6, 2010).

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, EchoStar respectfully requests the grant of its application to renew its special temporary authority for an additional 30 days to operate EchoStar 3 at 61.45° W.L. EchoStar will continue to operate the satellite pursuant to the conditions imposed in the initial grant.⁵

Respectfully submitted,

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⁵ *Id.*