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



Re: Further Supplement to Request for Special Temporary Authority to

Drift Intelsat 709

Call Sign S2396; File No. SAT-STA-20120409-00066

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat") herein further supplements its above referenced request for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to drift Intelsat 709 (call sign S2396) from 72.1° E.L. to 47.5° E.L. Specifically, Intelsat herein is requesting that the STA term begin on May 16, 2012 instead of the originally requested start date of May 19, 2012.

As the Commission is aware, Intelsat 22 is replacing Intelsat 709 at 72.1° E.L. Intelsat has recently completed traffic transfer from Intelsat 709 to Intelsat 22 earlier than originally anticipated. Accordingly, Intelsat would like to begin drifting Intelsat 709 to 47.5° E.L. earlier – on May 16, 2012 – in order to minimize the time both satellites are located in the same station-keeping box.

For the reasons set forth in the STA request and this further supplement, Intelsat respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant the STA request.

Sincerely,

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