

October 26, 2012

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



Re: Notice of Commencement of In-Orbit Testing of Intelsat 23
Call Sign S2831; File Nos. SAT-STA-20120628-00106;
SAT-STA-20120913-00149; SAT-STA-20121015-00181

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat"), pursuant to condition #9 of the above referenced STA grant for File No. SAT-STA-20120628-00106,¹ hereby notifies the Commission that in-orbit testing of the Intelsat 23 satellite at 51.5° W.L. commenced today.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan H. Crandall".

Susan H. Crandall
Assistant General Counsel
Intelsat Corporation

cc: Stephen Duall
Jay Whaley
Cindy Spiers

¹ The subsequent grant of extension of this STA did not include the notice of commencement of in-orbit testing condition. Intelsat is nevertheless filing this notice out of an abundance of caution.