



March 6, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: IBFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20130227-00026, SAT-AMD-20130429-00063, SAT-AMD-20130613-00083 & SAT-STA-20140113-00004
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Dear Ms. Dortch:

EchoStar Satellite Operating Corporation (“EchoStar”) submits the attached copy of a letter dated February 18, 2014, from the International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Radiocommunication Bureau (“BR”) to the Radiocommunications Agency Netherlands (the “Netherlands Administration”),¹ for inclusion in the record regarding the above-referenced modification and special temporary authorization renewal applications (“Applications”) to operate the EchoStar 6 satellite at 96.2° W.L.

As EchoStar previously informed the Commission,² the BR conducted an in-depth review and ultimately rejected a challenge initiated by Spectrum Five LLC (“Spectrum Five”) through the Netherlands Administration against the bringing-into-use status of the BERMUDASAT-1 network utilizing EchoStar 6.³ Significantly, the BR found that EchoStar 6 is in full compliance with the ITU’s station-keeping requirements and that the BERMUDASAT-1 network has been brought into use in accordance with ITU requirements.⁴ Despite a series of Commission and ITU rulings to date rejecting the

¹ See Letter from Yvon Henri, Chief, Space Services Department, BR, ITU, to the Netherlands Administration, Ref. No. 30-30A5(SNP)O-2014-000762 (Feb. 18, 2014) (attached hereto is that letteras filed in *Spectrum Five LLC v. FCC*, Nos. 13-1231 & 13-1232 (filed D.C. Cir. Feb. 28, 2014)) (“BR Letter”).

² See EchoStar Response to “Opposition,” IBFS File No. SAT-STA-20140113-00004, at 4 (Feb. 26, 2014).

³ See BR Letter at 2.

⁴ See *id.* at 1.

various efforts to block EchoStar 6's operations at 96.2° W.L.⁵ – including most recently the BR's findings affirming that EchoStar 6's operations are in full compliance with ITU requirements – Spectrum Five shows no signs of relenting in its campaign to pursue and renew all possible claims, regardless of their merits, in numerous, largely repetitive filings with the FCC.

The Commission has a full record before it and should promptly grant the pending Applications.

Sincerely,

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⁵ See *EchoStar Satellite Operating Company*, Order and Authorization, 28 FCC Rcd 4229 (IB 2013), *aff'd*, 28 FCC Rcd 10412 (2013), *appeal pending sub nom. Spectrum Five LLC v. FCC*, Nos. 13-1231 & 13-1232; BR Letter.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Theresa Rollins, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing LETTER was served on March 6, 2014, by depositing a true copy thereof with the United States Postal Service, first class postage pre-paid, addressed to:

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