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

**Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority,
File No. SAT-STA-20150821-00060**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 29, 2016, on behalf of Spaceflight, Inc. ("Spaceflight"), the undersigned spoke by telephone to Jose Albuquerque, Chief of the Satellite Division of the Commission's International Bureau, to inform him of the September 9th scheduled commencement of integration activities for SHERPA.

During the course of this call, Mr. Albuquerque asked what entity would have the authority to abort the SHERPA separation from the Falcon 9 second stage, as well as release of the SHERPA mission secondary payload satellites, in the event of a SpaceX Formosat-5 launch mission anomaly that precludes lowering the Falcon 9 2d stage from the Formosat-5 720 km circular release orbit to the specified 450 x.

In the circumstances described above, the launch provider, SpaceX, has the authority to abort the SHEPRA separation to ensure mission safety, which will result in neither the SHERPA nor auxiliary payloads being deployed.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Henry Goldberg
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cc Dr. Jose Albuquerque, Chief, Satellite Division