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DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC

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Call Sign S2632 Grant Date 07/10/19

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Term Dates period of 180 days

From 05/29/19

To:

Approved:

Stephen J. Duall
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Chief, Satellite Policy Branch

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APPLICATION FOR SPACE STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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APPLICANT INFORMATION


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180-Day STA Extension Request to Operate T8 (Call Sign S2632) at 100.75 WL

1. Applicant

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ATTACHMENT TO GRANT
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IBFS File No(s):	SAT-STA-20190521-00040	<p style="text-align: center;">GRANTED – With Conditions</p>  <p style="text-align: center;">International Bureau Satellite Division</p>
Licensee/Grantee:	DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC (DIRECTV)	
Call Sign:	S2632	
Satellite Name:	DIRECTV T8	
Orbital Location: (required station- keeping tolerance)	100.75° W.L. (±0.05° East-West, ±0.05° North-South)	
Administration:	United States of America	
Nature of Service:	Direct Broadcast Satellite (DBS) Telemetry, tracking, & command (TT&C)	
Scope of Grant:	Special temporary authority for a period of 180 days to continue to provide DBS at 100.75° W.L.	
Service Area(s):	N/A	
Frequencies:	12.2-12.7 GHz (space-to-Earth) 17.3-17.8 GHz (Earth-to-space) <u>Telemetry, Tracking, and Command</u> 12.20325 GHz (space-to-Earth) 12.20375 GHz (space-to-Earth) 17.30700 GHz (Earth-to-space)	
<p>Unless otherwise specified herein, operations under this grant must comport with the legal and technical specifications set forth by the applicant or petitioner and with Federal Communication Commission's rules not waived herein. This grant is also subject to the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Operations pursuant to this special authority must be on an unprotected and non-harmful interference basis, i.e. the DIRECTV T8 space station must not cause harmful interference to, and DIRECTV must not claim protection from interference caused to it by, any other lawfully operating station. In the event of any harmful interference, DIRECTV must cease operations immediately upon notification of such interference, and must inform the Commission, in writing, immediately of such an event. DIRECTV must coordinate the operations of DIRECTV T8 with existing geostationary space stations to ensure that no unacceptable interference results from its operations. Any action taken or expense incurred as a result of this special temporary authority is solely at DIRECTV's own risk. 		
<p>Licensee/grantee is afforded thirty (30) days from the date of release of this action to decline the grant as conditioned. Failure to respond within this period will constitute formal acceptance of the grant as conditioned.</p> <p>This action is taken pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 CFR § 0.261, and is effective upon release.</p> <p>Station licenses are subject to the conditions specified in Section 309(h) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 309(h).</p>		
Action Date:	July 10, 2019	
Term Dates	From: May 29, 2019	To: period of 180 days

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2. Contact

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3. Reference File Number or Submission ID

4a. Is a fee submitted with this application?

- ☒ If Yes, complete and attach FCC Form 159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114).
- ☐ Governmental Entity ☐ Noncommercial educational licensee
- ☐ Other (please explain):

4b. Fee Classification CRY – Space Station (Geostationary)

5. Type Request

- ☒ Change Station Location ☐ Extend Expiration Date ☐ Other

6. Temporary Orbit Location
100.75 WL

7. Requested Extended Expiration Date

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.)

DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC requests an extension of its grant of special temporary authority for an additional 180 days commencing May 27, 2019 to operate its T8 satellite (Call Sign S2632) at the 100.75 W.L. orbital location.

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" for these purposes. ☒ Yes ☐ No

10. Name of Person Signing
Steve Dulac

11. Title of Person Signing
Director, Content Technology & Regulatory Policy

12. Please supply any need attachments.

Attachment 1: Narrative

Attachment 2:

Attachment 3:

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(U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. Code, Title 47, Section 503).

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EXHIBIT 1 REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC (“DIRECTV”) respectfully requests an extension of its grant of special temporary authority (“STA”)¹ for an additional 180 days commencing May 27, 2019 to operate its T8 satellite (Call Sign S2632) at the 100.75° W.L. orbital location. Pursuant to Section 1.62 of the Commission’s rules, DIRECTV will continue to operate T8 at 100.75° W.L. pursuant to the terms and conditions of its existing STA pending action on this timely filed renewal request.²

T8 is permanently licensed to operate at 100.85° W.L.³ DIRECTV has temporarily relocated and is currently operating its T15 satellite (Call Sign S2930) at the 100.85° W.L. orbital location pursuant to a grant of special temporary authority.⁴ DIRECTV has relocated T15 to 100.85° W.L. to fill a temporary business need for additional Ku-band DBS (12.2-12.7 GHz (space-to-Earth) and 17.3-17.8 GHz (Earth-to-space)) capacity at the nominal 101° W.L. orbital location.

On September 27, 2018, the Commission granted DIRECTV’s 30-day request for special temporary authority commencing October 2, 2018 to drift T8 from 100.85° W.L. to 100.75° W.L. and to operate the satellite at 100.75° W.L.⁵ On November 28, 2018, the Commission granted

¹ DIRECTV has filed this STA request, an FCC Form 159, and a \$980.00 filing fee electronically via the International Bureau’s Filing System.

² See 47 C.F.R. § 1.62.

³ See *Policy Branch Information: Actions Taken*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01088, File No. SAT-MOD-20150304-00009 (May 29, 2015); *Policy Branch Information: Actions Taken*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-00431, File Nos. SAT-AMD-20070111-00010, SAT-MOD-20061213-00151 (Mar. 30, 2007). T8’s Ka-band payload was originally authorized under Call Sign S2132, which was consolidated with Call Sign S2632 in September 2017.

⁴ See *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Actions Taken*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01358, File No. SAT-STA-20180830-00064 (Nov. 2, 2018); see also *180-Day STA Extension Request to Operate T15 (Call Sign S2930) at 101 WL*, File No. SAT-STA-20190416-00028.

⁵ See *30-Day STA Request to Relocate T8 (Call Sign S2632)*, File No. SAT-STA-20180921-00074 (granted Sept. 27, 2018).

DIRECTV's 180-day STA request to continue operating T8 at 100.75° W.L. until the satellite returns to its permanently licensed orbital location.⁶ The drift began on October 3, 2018 and was completed on October 10, 2018. As DIRECTV anticipates a continuing business need to continue operating T15 at the 100.85° W.L. orbital location, DIRECTV respectfully submits this STA extension request to continue operating T8 at 100.75° W.L. for an additional 180-day period beginning May 27, 2019 until the satellite returns to its permanently authorized orbital location.⁷

While T8 is located at 100.75° W.L., DIRECTV will provide telemetry, tracking, and control ("TT&C") using the following frequencies:

- 17307.00 MHz (Earth-to-space); and
- 12203.25 MHz and 12203.75 MHz (space-to-Earth).

Grant of this STA will not result in increased risk of harmful interference. Once on station at 100.75° W.L., DIRECTV will operate the communications payload in conformance with FCC rules and any relevant coordination agreements.

DIRECTV has assessed and limited the probability of the space station becoming a source of debris as a result of collisions with large debris or other operational space stations. T8 will not be located at the same orbital location as another satellite or at an orbital location that has an overlapping station-keeping volume with another satellite. DIRECTV is not aware of any other FCC-licensed system, or any other system applied for and under consideration by the FCC, having an overlapping station-keeping volume with T8 at 100.75° W.L. DIRECTV is also not

⁶ See *Satellite Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01361, File No. SAT-STA-20180928-00077 (Nov. 30, 2018).

⁷ DIRECTV currently anticipates returning T8 to the 100.85° W.L. orbital location in 2019 based on business needs.

aware of any other system with an overlapping station-keeping volume with T8 that is the subject of an ITU filing that is either in orbit or progressing towards launch.

Grant of this STA request will serve the public interest because it will extend coverage, improve service performance, and provide additional capacity to customers at the nominal 101° W.L. orbital location. Accordingly, DIRECTV respectfully requests that the Commission grant this request.