

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

BlackSky Global LLC (“BlackSky”), pursuant to Section 25.120 of the Commission’s rules,¹ hereby requests an extension of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) for a period of an additional thirty (30) days through July 21, 2023,² to operate each of its Global 7 and Global 8 satellites (internal tail numbers)³ at altitudes between 340 and 385 kilometers, an altitude range that is below the minimum orbital altitude of 385 kilometers as authorized in BlackSky’s constellation license.⁴

BlackSky’s initial STA request was granted in part and deferred in part by action dated May 22, 2023. That STA expires June 21, 2023.

BlackSky’s underlying need to operate the satellites at an altitude below 385 km, its non-interference, and public interest showings remain unchanged from those set forth in its original STA request.⁵

For the reasons set forth in that request, and for good cause shown, BlackSky requests a thirty (30) day extension of STA to operate at the lower altitudes.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §25.120.

² *Stamp Grant*, BlackSky Global LLC, Granted in Part and Deferred in Part, FCC Call Sign S3032, IBFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20211230-00205 and SAT-AMD-20220805-00078 (corrected and reissued Feb 9, 2023)

³ These were the fifth and sixth satellites launched into the constellation; launch date August 7, 2020.

⁴ BlackSky’s use of “altitude” refers to the satellite’s average orbital altitude.

⁵ BlackSky’s initial STA request was granted in part and deferred in part by action dated May 22, 2023, for a period of thirty (30) days. See *Satellite Licensing Division and Satellite Programs and Policy Division Information: Actions Taken*, Public Notice, BlackSky Global LLC, ICFS File No. SAT-STA-20230428-00098 granted May 22, 2023, SAT-01729 at 1 (rel May 26, 2023).