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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
International Bureau  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: EchoStar Satellite Operating Corporation, Withdrawal of File Nos. SAT-T/C-20110314-00054; SAT-STA-20120914-00150 (Call Sign 2232)**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

EchoStar Satellite Operating Corporation (“ESOC”) submits this letter to withdraw its pending application to transfer control of the EchoStar 6 satellite to QuetzSat, S. de R.L. de C.V., which would have operated the satellite under Mexican authority at the nominal 77° W.L. orbital location.<sup>1</sup>

As a result of conversations with International Bureau staff, ESOC has filed a 180-day special temporary authority (“STA”) request,<sup>2</sup> and will soon file a new 30-day STA request, to operate the EchoStar 6 satellite at this location. ESOC withdraws its STA-renewal and transfer applications based on its understanding, after consultation with the Bureau, that ESOC will be able to continue operating the satellite under STA at 77° W.L. pending the outcome of its 180-day STA request.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

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<sup>1</sup> File No. SAT-T/C-20110314-00054 (filed Apr. 14, 2011); *see also* File No. SAT-STA-20120914-00150 (filed Sept. 14, 2012) (60-day STA renewal request).

<sup>2</sup> File No. SAT-STA-20120924-00153 (filed Sept. 24, 2012).

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Sincerely,

          
/s/

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