## **Exhibit F: Response to Item A21 PUBLIC INTEREST STATEMENT**

In accordance with the *Satellite Licensing Streamlining Order*<sup>1</sup> and Section 25.137(g)<sup>2</sup> of the Commission's rules, Satélites Mexicanos, S.A. de C.V., a Mexican corporation ("SatMex"), hereby notifies the Commission that its indirect ownership and control will be transferred to Eutelsat S.A., a *société anonyme* organized under the laws of France ("Eutelsat") and respectfully requests that the Commission undertake the process to update Satmex's Permitted List authorizations to reflect this change for the following satellites: Satmex 5 (Call Sign: S.2589); Satmex 6 (Call Sign S2695); and Satmex 8 (S2873) (the "Satellites").

SatMex, along with certain of its direct and indirect shareholders, and Eutelsat have entered into a Securities Purchase Agreement, dated July 30, 2013, pursuant to which Eutelsat has agreed to purchase, directly or indirectly, all of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of SatMex in an all-cash transaction. Specifically, Eutelsat has agreed to: (i) acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Satmex International B.V., a shareholder of SatMex, from Satmex International Coöperatieve U.A.; (ii) acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Holdsat México, S.A.P.I. de C.V., a shareholder of SatMex (other than shares held by Satmex International B.V.), from Intenal Mexicana, S.A.P.I. de C.V. and Alejandro Sainz Orantes; and (iii) acquire certain shares of SatMex from Centerbridge Capital Partners SBS (Cayman), L.P. and EJA Holdings Ltd. Upon the consummation of the transactions described above, Eutelsat will own, directly or indirectly, 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of capital stock of SatMex.

Although ownership of SatMex will change, the Satellites will continue to be non-U.S. licensed satellites that are licensed by Mexico, a member of the World Trade Organization ("WTO"), for services subject to the World Trade Organization Basic Telecommunications Agreement. To the extent that the Commission wishes to review issues relating to Eutelsat, it is incorporated in France, which is a member of the WTO, and is legally, financially, and technically qualified to operate the Satellites and provide satellite services. Eutelsat and its subsidiaries ("the Eutelsat Group") have demonstrated an extensive commercial capacity in the United States by holding numerous U.S. authorizations. Eutelsat, through its subsidiary, Eutelsat America Corp., sells satellite capacity of the Eutelsat Group throughout the North American market. This transaction will allow Eutelsat to provide video applications, data services, and broadband in the U.S. and Latin American markets.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Amendment of the Commission's Space Station Licensing Rules and Policies, First Report and Order, 18 FCC Rcd 10760, ¶¶ 326-327 (2003) ("Satellite Licensing Streamlining Order").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. §25.137(g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Commission recently granted (i) a Consent to Assignment from GE International Holdings, Inc. to Eutelsat America Corp. *Grant of Authorization*, Consent to Assignment of 1 Station from GE International Holdings Inc. to Eutelsat America Corp., File No. SAT-ASG-20120626-00105, Call Sign S2610 (effective date: Aug 23, 2012) and (ii) a Consent to Assignment from Eutelsat America Corp. to ES 172 LLC *Grant of Authorization*, Consent to Assignment of 1 Station from Eutelsat America Corp. to ES 172 LLC., File No. SAT-ASG-20121227-00226, Call

Eutelsat is fully qualified to provide satellite service to the U.S. market in accordance with the Permitted Space Station List Authorizations for Satmex 5, Satmex 6 and Satmex 8. The proposed transaction will enhance competition by ensuring that U.S.-authorized earth stations continue to have access to the Satellites and serve the public interest by facilitating the provision of advanced satellite services to customers in the United States and Latin America. SatMex and Eutelsat therefore respectfully request that the Commission issue a public notice "announcing that the transaction has taken place, and inviting comment on whether the transaction affects any of the considerations made when the original satellite operator was allowed to enter the U.S. market."

Sign S2610 (effective date: July 11, 2013). Eutelsat America and ES 172 LLC are members of the Eutelsat Group as wholly owned subsidiaries of Eutelsat.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Satellite Licensing Streamlining Order at ¶326.