

Exhibit A

DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT

ISAT US, Inc. (“ISAT US”), a subsidiary of Inmarsat Global Ltd. (“Inmarsat”), hereby amends its pending request for authority to modify its Global Xpress Ka-band maritime mobile blanket earth station license, Call Sign E140029 (“License”), File No. SES-MOD-20151106-00818, to add a new point of communication. This amendment seeks authority to add the Inmarsat-5 F3 satellite (“I5F3”) at the nominal 180° E.L. orbital location as a point of communication to each of the currently authorized and pending earth station terminal types covered by the License.

The area of operations of all terminals authorized under the License will be modified to include the entire coverage area of I5F3, as illustrated below.

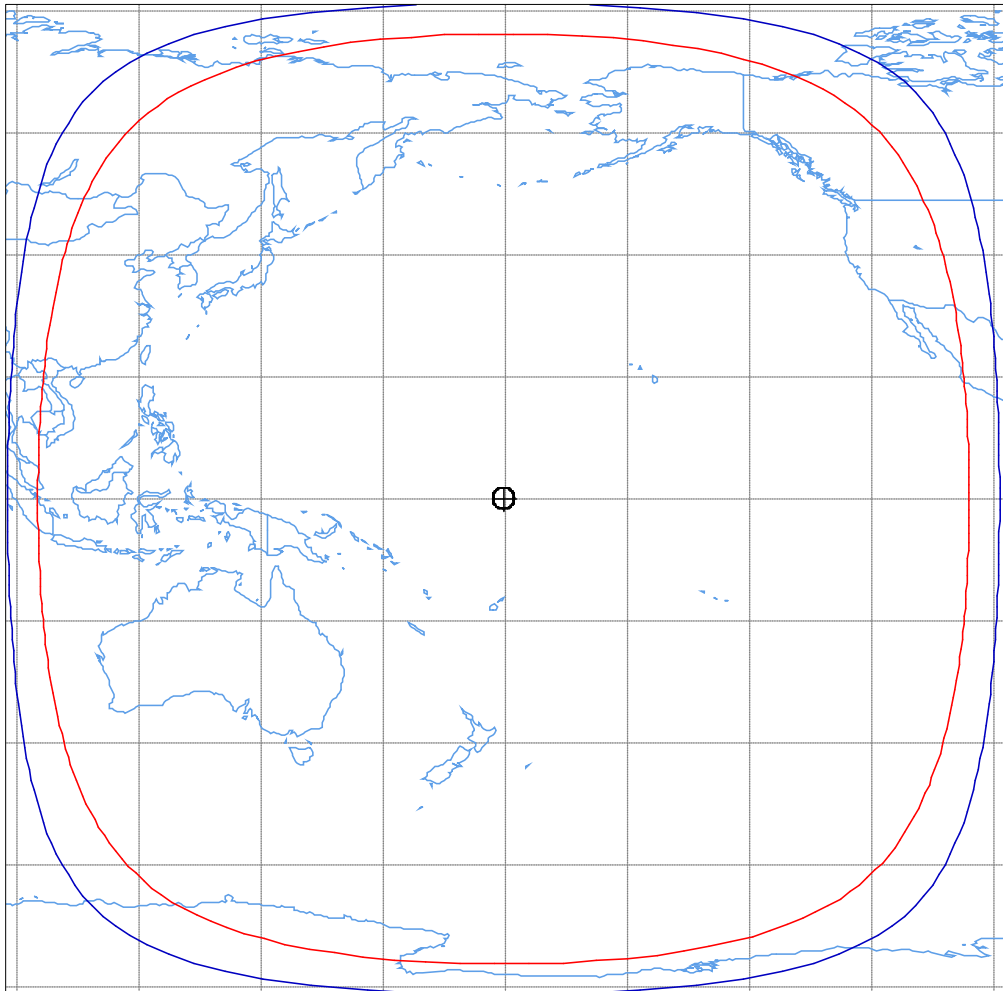


FIGURE 1

**Global Xpress I5 F3 Satellite Coverage
(5-degree contour in red; 0-degree contour in blue)**

For avoidance of doubt, earth station terminals communicating with I5F3 may also be operated at fixed and/or temporary fixed locations on land within CONUS, Hawaii and U.S. territories and its possessions, as well as on fixed and mobile offshore platforms, which authority was sought in the pending modification application. Thus, ISAT US seeks authority for such operations using I5F3 as well.¹

The technical parameters of I5F3 are detailed in application for market access for the satellite filed with the Commission by ISAT US affiliate, Inmarsat Mobile Networks, Inc. *See* IBFS File Nos. SES-LIC-20150402-00188; SES-AMD-20150910-00577, Call Sign E150028. ISAT US incorporates by reference the relevant information regarding I5F3 in that application, as amended.

To the extent necessary, ISAT US seeks a waiver of the U.S. Table of Frequency Allocations in Section 2.106 of the Commission's rules ("U.S. Table"), and the Commission's Ka-band band plan, to operate mobile terminals with an FSS satellite point of communication in frequencies allocated for FSS. Such a waiver has already been granted for terminals authorized under this License, and ISAT US does not believe a new waiver is needed for a new point of communication, but makes this request out of an abundance of caution. In addition, ISAT US requests that this waiver also cover the operation of each of the terminal types with I5F3 on foreign-flagged ships in U.S. territorial waters. The justifications for granting these waiver requests are as stated in the previously filed applications for the License.²

The requested amendment would allow Inmarsat to use I5F3 to communicate with all of its maritime terminal types, and on off-shore platforms and fixed installations. Thus, grant of this application would facilitate the expansion of maritime communications through the Global Xpress network to meet the needs of the maritime industry, and ultimately consumers and government and enterprise users who increasingly demand ubiquitous, high-speed connectivity. Therefore, grant of this application is in the public interest.

No other modifications are sought by this amendment.

¹ For purposes of expediency, ISAT US does not seek primary status for any fixed operations of any of the terminals under this License at this time. If ISAT US decides to seek primary protection for any fixed applications of the terminal types authorized under the License in the future, ISAT US will seek such authority in connection with a separate license.

² ISAT US, Inc., File No. SES-LIC-20140224-00098, as amended (granted Sept. 29, 2015).