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Re: File No. SES-MOD-19991115-02157
Amendment to Pending Application

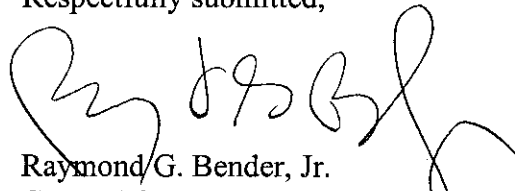
Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of COMSAT Corporation ("COMSAT"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Lockheed Martin Corporation, we hereby transmit an original plus four copies of an amendment to the above-referenced application of COMSAT Corporation d/b/a COMSAT World Systems. This amendment reports a previously authorized change in control of COMSAT and does not change any technical or operational parameters provided in the underlying earth station application, which are hereby incorporated by reference. Accordingly, pursuant to instruction from the staff, COMSAT has not completed FCC Form 312 – Schedule B (Technical and Operational Description) for purposes of this amendment, and the Commission is respectfully requested to refer to the underlying application for this information.

Enclosed is an FCC Form 159 and a check in the amount of one hundred and thirty-five dollars (\$135.00) in payment of the applicable FCC filing fee.

Should any questions arise with respect to this filing, kindly communicate with the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,


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