



January 6, 2009

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: New ICO Satellite Services, G.P. File Nos. SES-LIC-20071203-01646, SES-AMD-20080118-00075 and SES-AMD-200802 19-00172

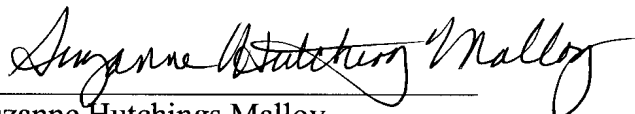
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 6, 2009, the undersigned and Peter Corea of ICO Satellite Services, G.P. ("ICO"), spoke by telephone with Robert Nelson, Satellite Division Chief, Cassandra Thomas, Deputy Chief of the Satellite Division, and Karl Kensinger, Associate Chief of the Satellite Division.

In its ATC application, ICO certified that it will comply with Section 25.149(b)(2)(ii) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §25.149(b)(2)(ii), requiring that MSS ATC systems maintain a spare satellite on the ground within one year of commencing operations. ICO clarifies that it will not commence ATC operations until firm arrangements are in place to meet the spare satellite requirement.

Any questions regarding this submission should be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,


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