



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

DA 07-4941

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Re: Call Sign E070231
File No. SES-LIC-20070928-01334

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Dear Mr. Kemmler:

On September 28, 2007, ESPN, Inc. (ESPN) filed the above-captioned applications for authority to operate two fixed earth stations that transmit in the 14.0-14.5 GHz frequency band and receive in the 10.95-11.2, 11.45-11.7, and 11.7-12.2 GHz frequency bands. Pursuant to Section 25.112(a)(2), we dismiss both applications in part as defective without prejudice to refiling.

Pursuant to Section 25.112(a)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.112(a)(2), we dismiss the portion of the applications regarding the 10.95-11.2 and 11.45-11.7 GHz frequency bands. In the applications, ESPN proposes to operate in a variety of frequency bands and lists ALSAT-designated satellites as the point of communication for all the bands. Only those fixed-satellite service earth stations that are both two-degree compliant and operate in the 3700-4200 MHz, 5925-6425 MHz, 11.7 -12.2 GHz, or 14.0-14.5 GHz bands can request ALSAT as a point of communication. In all other cases, the application must identify the specific satellite or satellites with which the proposed earth station seeks to communicate.¹ Thus, the portions of ESPN's application pertaining to the 10.95-11.2 and 11.45-11.7 GHz frequency bands are defective.

¹ Amendment of the Commission's Regulatory Policies to Allow Non-U.S.-Licensed Space Stations to Provide Domestic and International Services in the United States, First Order on Reconsideration, IB Docket No. 96-111, 15 FCC Rcd 7207, 7214-16 (paras. 16-20).

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 25.112(a)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.112(a)(2), and Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegations of authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261, we dismiss the above-captioned applications to the extent that the applicant seeks to operate in the 10.95-11.2 GHz and 11.45-11.7 GHz bands. If ESPN chooses to refile an application for these frequency bands, it must specify the satellite or satellites with which the earth stations seek to communicate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott A. Kotler". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Scott A. Kotler
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