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Mr. José Albuquerque
Chief, Satellite Division
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

FCC Mail Room

Dear Mr. Albuquerque:

SUBJECT : HUGHES NETWORK SYSTEMS, LLC, APPLICATIONS FOR MARKET ACCESS TO OPERATE U.S. KA-BAND GATEWAY EARTH STATIONS WITH THE EUTELSAT 65 WEST A SATELLITE

As you are aware, the National Information and Communications Technology Authority (NICTA), established in 2010, is the sole Papua New Guinea (PNG) Regulatory Agency for Telecommunications, including authorization of satellites and the submission of satellite network filings to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). We understand that you have requested confirmation from Hughes Network Systems, LLC (Hughes) that they are authorized by PNG to operate their Ka-band mission at 65 W.L. nominal orbital position under the ITU filing designated RAGGIANA-2.

We confirm that Eutelsat,S.A ("Eutelsat") is fully authorized by PNG as an assignee of the rights of the RAGGIANA-2 ITU filing, which allows Eutelsat to operate under, and enjoy the rights of, the RAGGIANA-2 ITU filing which includes the frequency bands 18.3-18.8 GHz, 19.7-20.2 GHz, 27.5-29.0 GHz and 29.5-30.0 GHz at the 65 W.L. nominal orbital location.

As the Hughes Ka-band mission will operate entirely within the Eutelsat 65 West A satellite which will be operated at the 65 W.L. nominal orbital position, we can confirm that Hughes, by extension, is authorized to operate their Ka-band mission at the 65 W.L. nominal orbital position under the ITU filing designated RAGGIANA-2.

Should there be additional questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to consult with us.

Yours sincerely,

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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