Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of Application by)
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RR Media Inc.)
For Authority to Operate Three)
Ku-Band Antennas in Hawley, PA)

REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY

By this application, RR Media Inc. ("RR Media"), respectfully requests authority to operate three antennas at RR Media's Hawley, Pennsylvania facility in the conventional Kuband. These three antennas were among several recently identified by RR Media as operating without the appropriate authority, as reported to the Commission. RR Media has requested Special Temporary Authority ("STA") for one of the antennas,¹ and the other two have been turned off pending receipt of the required license.

Earlier this year, the Commission granted authority for the transfer of control of RR Media and its licenses for the Hawley, Pennsylvania teleport to SES S.A. ("SES").² Following consummation of the transfer, integration of the Hawley facilities into the larger SES network of earth stations began, and SES personnel became involved in the management of the Hawley teleport earth station operations. As a result of these integration activities, SES learned that the existing licenses for the Hawley site did not cover six of the operating antennas located at the teleport and immediately initiated steps to bring the teleport operations into compliance with Commission rules. Among the antennas identified were three conventional Ku-band

¹ See RR Media Inc., File No. SES-STA-20161228-00974, granted January 26, 2017.

² See File No. SES-T/C-20160302-00190, granted May 6, 2016.

antennas designated HS17-A, HS17-B and HS17-C. Upon learning that these antennas were not properly licensed, RR Media stopped operating HS17-A and HS17-B and filed an STA request for HS17-C on December 28, 2016.

RR Media now seeks full authority to operate all three antennas. As described in the recent STA request, HS17-C is used to provide ongoing video and radio distribution services. HS17-A and HS17-B will be used to provide occasional use services, which support the broadcast of live news and sports events.

RR Media hereby certifies that no party to this application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 862.

For the foregoing reasons, RR Media respectfully requests authority to operate three earth station antennas from its Hawley, Pennsylvania facility in conformance with the technical characteristics outlined in the attached Form 312.

> Respectfully submitted, RR Media Inc. By: <u>/s/ Orna Neveh</u>

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