

Ka-Band Earth Station – Butte, MT

Frequency Coordination Report

28 GHz



Prepared on Behalf of
SPACE EXPLORATION
HOLDINGS

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1. Summary of Results

On behalf of SPACE EXPLORATION HOLDINGS, Comsearch performed a coordination notice under Section 25.203(c) and Section 25.136(a)(4) of the FCC’s rules for all existing and proposed terrestrial licenses within the coordination contours of their proposed Ka-Band earth station in Butte, MT, which will transmit at 28 GHz¹. Prior-notification letters were sent to the licensees and a copy of the notification data is provided in section four of this report. The earth station coordination was finalized on May 20, 2020.

No objections were received from any of the incumbent 28 GHz licensees.

2. 28 GHz Common Carrier and LTTS Coordination

In accordance with FCC Rules and Regulations, the Ka-Band earth station in Butte, MT was prior-coordinated by Comsearch. A notification letter and datasheets for this earth station were sent to the following 28 GHz common carrier fixed microwave licensees. These licensees are authorized to operate temporary fixed operations from 27.5 – 29.5 GHz on a nationwide basis or local basis.

Licensee	Authorized Geographic Area
Frontier	Nationwide

A notification letter and datasheets for the Ka-Band earth station in Butte, MT were also sent to the following 28 GHz local television transmission licensee. This licensee is authorized to operate temporary fixed operations from 27.5 – 29.5 GHz on a nationwide basis.

Licensee	Authorized Geographic Area
Information Super Station, LLC	Continental US

No objections were received from the common carrier or local television transmission service incumbents.

¹ The proposed earth station will operate in the 27.5 – 29.1 GHz & 29.5 – 30.0 GHz portion of the Ka-Band.

3. 28 GHz UMFUS Coordination

There were two 28 GHz UMFUS licensees identified within the coordination distance of the proposed earth station. The proposed earth station will operate on frequencies that overlap Channel L1 & L2 of the UMFUS service. The total frequency allocation for Channels L1 & L2 of the UMFUS spectrum appears below.

Channel: **L1** 27.500 - 27.925 GHz
 L2 27.925 - 28.350 GHz

Licensee	Authorized Geographic Area
T-Mobile	Market-Based
Verizon	Market-Based

No objections were received from the UMFUS incumbents.



4. Earth Station Coordination Data

This section presents the data pertinent to the proposed Ka-Band earth station in Butte, MT. This data was circulated to all incumbent licensees in the shared 28 GHz frequency ranges.



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Job Number: 200420COMSGE04

Administrative Information

Status: ENGINEER PROPOSAL
 Call Sign:
 Licensee Code: SPACEX
 Licensee Name: Space Exploration Holdings

Site Information

BUTTE, MT

Venue Name:
 Latitude (NAD 83): 45° 55' 26.6" N
 Longitude (NAD 83): 112° 30' 47.5" W
 Climate Zone: A
 Rain Zone: 5
 Ground Elevation (AMSL): 1714.05 m / 5623.5 ft

Link Information

Satellite Type: Low Earth Orbit
 Mode: TR - Transmit-Receive
 Modulation: Digital
 Minimum Elevation Angle: 25.0°
 Azimuth Range: 0.0° to 360°
 Antenna Centerline (AGL): 0.91 m / 3.0 ft

Antenna Information

		Receive - FCC32		Transmit - FCC32	
Manufacturer		SpaceX		SpaceX	
Model		1.47 meter		1.47 meter	
Gain / Diameter		46.9 dBi / 1.5 m		49.5 dBi / 1.5 m	
3-dB / 15-dB Beamwidth		0.77° / 1.70°		0.49° / 1.17°	
Max Available RF Power	(dBW/4 kHz)			-39.8	
	(dBW/MHz)			-15.8	
Maximum EIRP	(dBW/4 kHz)			9.7	
	(dBW/MHz)			33.7	
Interference Objectives:	Long Term	-156.0 dBW/MHz	20%	-151.0 dBW/4 kHz 20%	
	Short Term	-146.0 dBW/MHz	0.01%	-128.0 dBW/4 kHz 0.0025%	

Frequency Information

	Receive 18.0 GHz		Transmit 28.0 GHz	
Emission / Frequency Range (MHz)	62M5D7W - 480MD7W / 17800.0 - 18600.0 62M5D7W - 480MD7W / 18800.0 - 19300.0		62M5D7W - 480MD7W / 27500.0 - 29100.0 62M5D7W - 480MD7W / 29500.0 - 30000.0	
Max Great Circle Coordination Distance	262.0 km / 162.8 mi		1.76 km / 1.09 mi	
Precipitation Scatter Contour Radius	100.0 km / 62.1 mi		100.0 km / 62.1 mi	



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Antenna Model	SpaceX 1.47 meter		
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Max Available RF Power		-39.8 (dBW/4 kHz)	

Azimuth (°)	Horizon Elevation (°)	Antenna Discrimination (°)	Receive 18.0 GHz		Transmit 28.0 GHz	
			Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)	Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)
0	0.00	74.82	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
5	0.00	70.28	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
10	0.00	65.76	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
15	0.00	61.28	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
20	0.00	56.85	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
25	0.43	52.63	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
30	1.60	48.84	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
35	1.65	44.80	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
40	3.32	41.81	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
45	4.70	39.14	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
50	6.02	36.96	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
55	6.71	34.87	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
60	5.37	31.52	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
65	4.83	29.38	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
70	4.02	27.64	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
75	4.09	27.56	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
80	4.11	28.25	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
85	3.73	29.34	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
90	2.73	30.65	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
95	2.16	32.99	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
100	2.25	36.29	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
105	3.30	40.45	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
110	1.77	43.39	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
115	2.15	47.57	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
120	2.55	51.84	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
125	2.70	56.08	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
130	2.33	60.26	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
135	2.87	64.74	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
140	3.20	69.19	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
145	3.27	73.60	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
150	4.78	78.20	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
155	5.40	82.63	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
160	5.49	87.01	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
165	4.96	91.39	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
170	3.41	95.87	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
175	2.81	100.37	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
180	2.65	104.85	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
185	2.41	109.33	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76



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190	1.97	113.84	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
195	1.89	118.26	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
200	1.72	122.65	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
205	1.38	127.04	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
210	1.33	131.27	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
215	1.88	135.09	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
220	2.83	138.46	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
225	2.41	142.33	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
230	2.42	145.67	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
235	2.88	148.27	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
240	2.91	150.66	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
245	2.89	152.47	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
250	2.94	153.43	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
255	2.70	153.83	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
260	3.02	152.81	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
265	3.03	151.29	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
270	2.59	149.47	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
275	2.40	146.83	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
280	2.43	143.59	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
285	2.12	140.23	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
290	1.89	136.54	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
295	1.39	132.77	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
300	1.53	128.55	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
305	1.57	124.28	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
310	1.72	119.91	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
315	1.82	115.50	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
320	1.76	111.08	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
325	1.66	106.63	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
330	1.47	102.15	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
335	1.70	97.62	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
340	1.97	93.09	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
345	0.34	88.55	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
350	0.00	83.97	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76
355	0.00	79.39	-3.00	262.00	-3.00	1.76



5. Contact Information

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