

## **GATEWAY LICENSE NARRATIVE**

Kuiper Systems LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Amazon.com Services LLC (collectively “Amazon”), seeks authority to operate a fixed gateway earth station (“gateway”) in Mount Ulla, NC. This narrative demonstrates why authorizing this gateway would serve the public interest and explains how Amazon will operate consistent with the Commission’s rules.

Amazon’s Kuiper System will deliver satellite broadband communications services to tens of millions of unserved and underserved consumers and businesses in the United States and around the globe. According to the 2021 Broadband Deployment Report, 14.5 million Americans lack access to fixed terrestrial broadband with benchmark download and upload speeds of 25 Mbps and 3 Mbps, respectively.<sup>1</sup> Amazon’s Kuiper System will help close this digital divide by offering broadband communications services, including connectivity to homes, schools, hospitals, government offices, businesses of all sizes, first responders, and disaster relief operations, to rural and hard-to-reach areas. The Kuiper System will also enable mobile network operators to expand wireless services to unserved and underserved mobile customers and provide high-throughput mobile broadband connectivity services for aircraft, maritime vessels, and land vehicles. This gateway will be another step toward providing these urgently needed services to the American public.

The proposed gateway will consist of six (6) technically identical antennas that will communicate with Amazon’s non-geostationary orbit (“NGSO”) fixed-satellite service (“FSS”) and mobile-satellite service (“MSS”) Kuiper System in the frequency bands 27.5-30.0 GHz (Earth-

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<sup>1</sup> See *Inquiry Concerning Deployment of Advanced Telecommunications Capability to All Americans in a Reasonable and Timely Fashion*, Fourteenth Broadband Deployment Report, GN Docket No. 20-269, FCC 21-18 ¶ 2 (rel. Jan. 19, 2021).

to-space) and 17.8-18.6 GHz and 18.8-20.2 GHz (space-to-Earth). No more than four (4) antennas will transmit on the same channel at any one time.

## **I. PUBLIC INTEREST BENEFITS**

In July 2020, Amazon received Commission authority to launch and operate its Kuiper System in the frequency bands 17.7-18.6 GHz,<sup>2</sup> 18.8-20.2 GHz, and 27.5-30.0 GHz.<sup>3</sup> As noted above, compelling public interest benefits justify expeditious authorization of this gateway. Amazon’s customer-centric approach inspired the development of the Kuiper System and delivery of reliable, high-speed, low-latency broadband. The gateway will allow Amazon to deliver its broadband service to residential, mobility, enterprise, and government customers.

## **II. SPECTRUM USE AND SHARING**

Amazon will adhere to all International Telecommunication Union (“ITU”) and Commission requirements and pertinent future FCC rulemakings governing NGSO Ka-band gateways. When sharing spectrum, Amazon will operate consistent with its License<sup>4</sup> and the Commission’s rules, as discussed below.

### **a. Kuiper System Gateway Transmit Frequencies**

The gateway will transmit to Kuiper System satellites in the frequencies listed in Table 1 and follow relevant sharing requirements in the Commission’s rules.

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<sup>2</sup> Although Amazon requested access to the frequency band 17.7-17.8 GHz, it will only use this segment for space-to-Earth gateway operations outside the United States and its territories. *See Kuiper Systems, LLC*, Order and Authorization, 35 FCC Rcd 8324 ¶ 59(g) (2020) (“License”).

<sup>3</sup> *See id.* ¶ 2.

<sup>4</sup> *See id.* ¶ 59.

**Table 1: Kuiper System Gateway Transmit Frequencies**

<b>Transmit Frequencies (GHz)</b>	<b>Status<sup>5</sup></b>
27.5-28.35	NGSO FSS secondary to UMFUS and GSO FSS
28.35-28.6	NGSO FSS secondary to GSO FSS
28.6-29.1	NGSO FSS primary
29.1-29.5	NGSO MSS feeder link co-primary
29.5-30.0	NGSO FSS secondary to GSO FSS

**i. 27.5-28.35 GHz (NGSO FSS secondary to UMFUS)**

NGSO FSS may transmit on a secondary basis without providing interference protection to the Upper Microwave Flexible Use Service (“UMFUS”) in the 27.5-28.35 GHz band.<sup>6</sup> Exhibit A, the UMFUS analysis, demonstrates how the gateway satisfies the section 25.136(a) protection criteria and, therefore, does not need to protect future UMFUS deployments.<sup>7</sup> Exhibit C, the Comsearch report, establishes that Amazon has coordinated with UMFUS licensees consistent with section 101.103(d).<sup>8</sup>

<sup>5</sup> See generally 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; *Update to Parts 2 and 25 Concerning Non-Geostationary, Fixed-Satellite Service Systems and Related Matters*, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 32 FCC Rcd 7809 (2017) (“*NGSO FSS Order*”); *id.* at Appendix B (“*Ka-band Plan*”).

<sup>6</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 2.106, 25.136; *International Bureau Issues Guidance on Siting Methodologies for Earth Station Seeking to Operate in the 24.75-25.25 GHz, 27.5-28.35 GHz, 37.5-40 GHz, 47.2-48.2 GHz, and 50.4-51.4 GHz Frequency Bands to Demonstrate Compliance with Section 25.136*, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 6347 (2020).

<sup>7</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.136(a); Exhibit A.

<sup>8</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 101.103(d); Exhibit C.

**ii. 27.5-28.6 GHz and 29.5-30.0 GHz (NGSO FSS secondary to GSO systems)**

NGSO FSS may transmit on a secondary basis to geostationary orbit (“GSO”) FSS in the 27.5-28.6 GHz and 29.5-30.0 GHz bands.<sup>9</sup> Amazon does not claim interference protection from GSO FSS in these bands and certifies it will comply with the applicable equivalent power flux-density (“EPFD”) limits in ITU Radio Regulations Article 22 and Resolution 76 to ensure transmissions do not cause harmful interference.<sup>10</sup>

**iii. 28.6-29.1 GHz (NGSO FSS primary)**

NGSO FSS may transmit on a primary basis in the 28.6-29.1 GHz band.<sup>11</sup> Amazon’s operations as NGSO FSS possess primary status in the band.<sup>12</sup>

**iv. 29.1-29.5 GHz (NGSO MSS feeder link co-primary)**

NGSO MSS feeder links may transmit on a co-primary basis with the Local Multipoint Distribution Service (“LMDS”) in the 29.1-29.25 MHz band and FS in the 29.25-29.5 GHz band.<sup>13</sup> As described in the following sub-sections, the Commission has granted Amazon authority to

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<sup>9</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>10</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 2.106, 25.115(f)(1), 25.146(a)(2); Ka-band Plan; ITU Radio Regulations Article 22 and Resolution 76 (WRC-15); *see also Amendment of Parts 2 and 25 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Operation of NGSO FSS Systems Co-Frequency with GSO and Terrestrial Systems in the Ku-Band Frequency Range*, 16 FCC Rcd 4096 ¶ 77 (2000) (concluding that compliance with EPFD limits “will adequately protect GSO FSS networks”) (“2000 NGSO FSS Order”).

<sup>11</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>12</sup> See License ¶ 11; 47 C.F.R. § 25.261. In the 28.5-29.1 GHz band, Amazon will not cause harmful interference to, or claim protection from, grandfathered Fixed Service (“FS”) stations as required by the Commission’s rules. See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106 n.NG62.

<sup>13</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

operate NGSO MSS feeder links in this band and, therefore, the gateway may operate on a primary basis.<sup>14</sup>

### **1. NGSO MSS feeder link**

To share with other co-primary NGSO MSS feeder link systems, Amazon will coordinate use of the band with NGSO system operators not included in the March 2020 processing round before commencing service<sup>15</sup> and employ the section 25.261 spectrum-sharing framework with NGSO system operators in the March 2020 processing round while operating service.<sup>16</sup>

### **2. LMDS**

To share with LMDS, Amazon will coordinate as required by the Commission's rules.<sup>17</sup>

### **3. FS**

To share with FS, Amazon will not cause harmful interference to, or claim protection from, grandfathered FS stations as required by the Commission's rules.<sup>18</sup>

#### **b. Kuiper System Gateway Receive Frequencies**

The gateway will receive transmissions from the Kuiper System in the frequencies listed in Table 2 and follow relevant sharing requirements in the Commission's rules.<sup>19</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> See License ¶¶ 24-25 and n.7.

<sup>15</sup> Before using this band, Amazon will coordinate with NGSO MSS feeder link systems using the same frequencies and polarizations as Amazon. See License ¶ 59(i).

<sup>16</sup> See *id.*

<sup>17</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 101.103(d).

<sup>18</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106 n.NG62.

<sup>19</sup> Before operating in these bands, Amazon will complete coordination with U.S. Federal systems. See *id.* n.US334; License ¶ 59(m).

**Table 2: Kuiper System Gateway Receive Frequencies**

<b>Frequencies (GHz)</b>	<b>Status<sup>20</sup></b>
17.8-18.3	NGSO FSS secondary to FS and GSO FSS
18.3-18.6	NGSO FSS secondary to GSO FSS
18.8-19.3	NGSO FSS primary
19.3-19.4 and 19.6-19.7	NGSO FSS secondary to FS, NGSO MSS FL, and GSO FSS
19.4-19.6	NGSO MSS feeder link co-primary
19.7-20.2	NGSO FSS secondary to GSO FSS

**i. 17.8-18.3, 19.3-19.4, and 19.6-19.7 GHz (NGSO FSS secondary to FS)**

NGSO FSS may receive on a secondary basis to FS in the 17.8-18.3, 19.3-19.4, and 19.6-19.7 GHz bands.<sup>21</sup> To share with FS, Amazon will meet the power flux-density limits in ITU Radio Regulations Article 21.<sup>22</sup> The Comsearch report confirms no additional limitations are necessary.<sup>23</sup>

<sup>20</sup> See generally 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; *NGSO FSS Order*; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>21</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>22</sup> See License ¶¶ 13, 59(d)-(e).

<sup>23</sup> See Exhibit C.

**ii. 17.8-18.6, 19.3-19.4, 19.6-19.7, and 19.7-20.2 GHz (NGSO FSS secondary to GSO FSS)**

NGSO FSS may receive on an unprotected, non-interference basis with respect to GSO FSS in the 17.8-18.6 GHz, 19.3-19.4 GHz, 19.6-19.7 GHz, and 19.7-20.2 GHz bands.<sup>24</sup> To share with GSO FSS, Amazon will comply with the applicable EPFD limits in ITU Radio Regulations Article 22 and Resolution 76.<sup>25</sup>

**iii. 18.8-19.3 GHz (NGSO FSS primary)**

NGSO FSS may receive on a primary basis in the 18.8-19.3 GHz band.<sup>26</sup> Amazon's operations qualify as NGSO FSS and, therefore, possess primary status in the band.<sup>27</sup>

**iv. 19.3-19.4 and 19.6-19.7 GHz (NGSO FSS secondary to NGSO MSS feeder link)**

NGSO FSS may receive on a secondary basis to NGSO MSS feeder link systems in the 19.3-19.4 and 19.6-19.7 GHz bands.<sup>28</sup> To share with NGSO MSS feeder links, Amazon will coordinate use of the band with NGSO system operators not in the March 2020 processing round before commencing service<sup>29</sup> and employ the section 25.261 spectrum-sharing framework with NGSO system operators in the March 2020 processing round while operating service.<sup>30</sup>

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<sup>24</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>25</sup> The Commission has found that EPFD demonstrations may permit NGSO FSS to share frequency bands with GSO FSS. See License ¶¶ 13, 14, 59(d)-(e); *NGSO FSS Order* n.84; see also *2000 NGSO FSS Order* ¶ 77.

<sup>26</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>27</sup> See License ¶ 11.

<sup>28</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>29</sup> Before using this band, Amazon will coordinate with NGSO MSS feeder link systems using the same frequencies and polarizations as Amazon. See License ¶ 59(i).

<sup>30</sup> See *id.*

#### **v. 19.4-19.6 GHz (NGSO MSS feeder link co-primary)**

NGSO MSS feeder links may receive on a co-primary basis with FS in the 19.4-19.6 GHz band.<sup>31</sup> To share with co-primary MSS feeder link systems, Amazon will coordinate use of the band with operators not in the March 2020 processing round before commencing service<sup>32</sup> and employ the section 25.261 spectrum-sharing framework with operators in the March 2020 processing round while operating service.<sup>33</sup>

### **III. ANTENNA PATTERN**

There are no Commission standards for NGSO Ka-band gateway antenna pattern performance. The available standards consider only GSO Ku-/Ka-band or NGSO Ku-band operations because the Commission has “not yet determined what off-axis gain envelopes might be appropriate for [Ka-band] gateways operating with NGSO FSS space stations, either to facilitate NGSO-to-NGSO or NGSO-to-GSO interference protection.”<sup>34</sup> Amazon, nonetheless, will comply with the section 25.209(a)(1) mask for GSO Ka-band earth station antennas, as illustrated in Exhibit D.<sup>35</sup>

### **IV. RADIATION HAZARD ANALYSIS**

Exhibit B, the Radiation Hazard Analysis, confirms that Amazon complies with relevant Commission standards and demonstrates there is no risk of radiation exposure beyond the

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<sup>31</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 2.106; Ka-band Plan.

<sup>32</sup> Before using this band, Amazon will coordinate with NGSO MSS feeder link systems using the same frequencies and polarizations as Amazon. See License ¶ 59(i).

<sup>33</sup> See *id.*

<sup>34</sup> *Comprehensive Review of Licensing and Operating Rules for Satellite Services*, Report and Order, 30 FCC Rcd 14713 ¶ 213 (2015). See also *NGSO FSS Order* ¶¶ 54-55 and n.121 (declining to adopt NGSO gateway antenna performance standards). See generally 47 C.F.R. §§ 25.209, 25.132.

<sup>35</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.209(a)(1); Exhibit D.



acceptable limits.<sup>36</sup> To further protect the general public, Amazon will site the gateway either behind a fence or on private commercial property with limited access. Trained technicians responsible for operating the gateway will turn off and secure the transmitters before performing any maintenance work.

## **V. FAA NOTIFICATION**

For an antenna structure of 6.1 meters or less in height above ground level, the Commission requires no Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) notification.<sup>37</sup> Amazon’s antenna structure for the gateway measures 6.1 meters or less in height above ground level and requires no FAA notification.

## **VI. CONCLUSION**

Amazon has satisfied the Commission’s licensing standards for NGSO Ka-band gateways. As a result, timely action on this application will accelerate the deployment of the Kuiper System and its ability to expand broadband access for consumers, schools, hospitals, businesses and other organizations across the country.

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<sup>36</sup> See FCC OET Bulletin 65, Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields; Exhibit B.

<sup>37</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 17.2 (defining antenna structure as a structure that is constructed or used to transmit and/or receive radio energy or that supports antennas that transmit and/or receive radio energy and other appurtenances mounted thereon), 17.7(e), 25.115(j).

**EXHIBIT A (SECTION 25.136 UMFUS PROTECTION ANALYSIS)**

This exhibit demonstrates that the proposed gateway earth station (“gateway”) satisfactorily protects 27.5-28.35 GHz Upper Microwave Flexible Use Service (“UMFUS”) deployments in Rowan County, NC (“County”).

Section 25.136(a)(4) of the Commission’s rules outlines how Fixed-Satellite Service (“FSS”) operators may deploy gateways in the 27.5-28.35 GHz band without providing additional interference protection to co-frequency UMFUS licensees.<sup>1</sup> *First*, one U.S. county may not possess more than three co-frequency FSS gateways. *Second*, an FSS gateway generating a power flux-density (“PFD”) greater than or equal to  $-77.6 \text{ dBm/m}^2/\text{MHz}$  at 10 meters above ground level, together with the similar area of any other gateway authorized under Section 25.136(a)(1)-(4), may not cover more than certain population amounts (“ $-77.6 \text{ dBm/m}^2/\text{MHz}$ ”).<sup>2</sup> *Third*, the  $-77.6 \text{ dBm/m}^2/\text{MHz}$  PFD contour may not contain any major event venue, urban mass transit route, passenger railroad, cruise ship port, or certain roads (Interstate, Other Freeways and Expressways, or Other Principal Arterial). *Fourth*, the FSS operator must coordinate with existing UMFUS licensees located within a PFD contour greater than or equal to  $-77.6 \text{ dBm/m}^2/\text{MHz}$ .

Amazon complies with Section 25.136(a)(4) and the Guidance. No more than three FSS gateways will operate in the County hosting the gateway. Amazon’s  $-77.6 \text{ dBm/m}^2/\text{MHz}$  PFD contour covers no more than 15 people of the County’s total 138,428 people, which is less than the 450 limit for a county with 6,000-450,000 people. The PFD contour does not contain any major event venue, urban mass transit route, passenger railroad, cruise ship port, Interstate, Other Freeways and Expressways, or Other Principal Arterial. Amazon has also completed coordination with existing UMFUS licensees, as required.<sup>3</sup>

The Commission, therefore, should authorize this gateway and not require Amazon to provide additional interference protection to UMFUS licensees in this County.

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<sup>1</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.136(a)(4) (“Section 25.136”). The Commission has offered additional guidance on how to present Section 25.136 showings. See generally *International Bureau Issues Guidance on Siting Methodologies for Earth Stations Seeking to Operate in the 24.75-25.25 GHz, 27.5-28.35 GHz, 37.5-40 GHz, 47.2-48.2 GHz, and 50.4-51.4 GHz Frequency Bands to Demonstrate Compliance with Section 25.136*, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 6347 (IB 2020) (“Guidance”).

<sup>2</sup> See Section 25.136 at Table 1 to Paragraph (A)(4)(ii) (permitting the PFD contour to cover 0.1 percent of the population in a county with more than 450,000 people; 450 people in a county with 6,000-450,000 people; and 7.5 percent of the population in a county with fewer than 6,000 people).

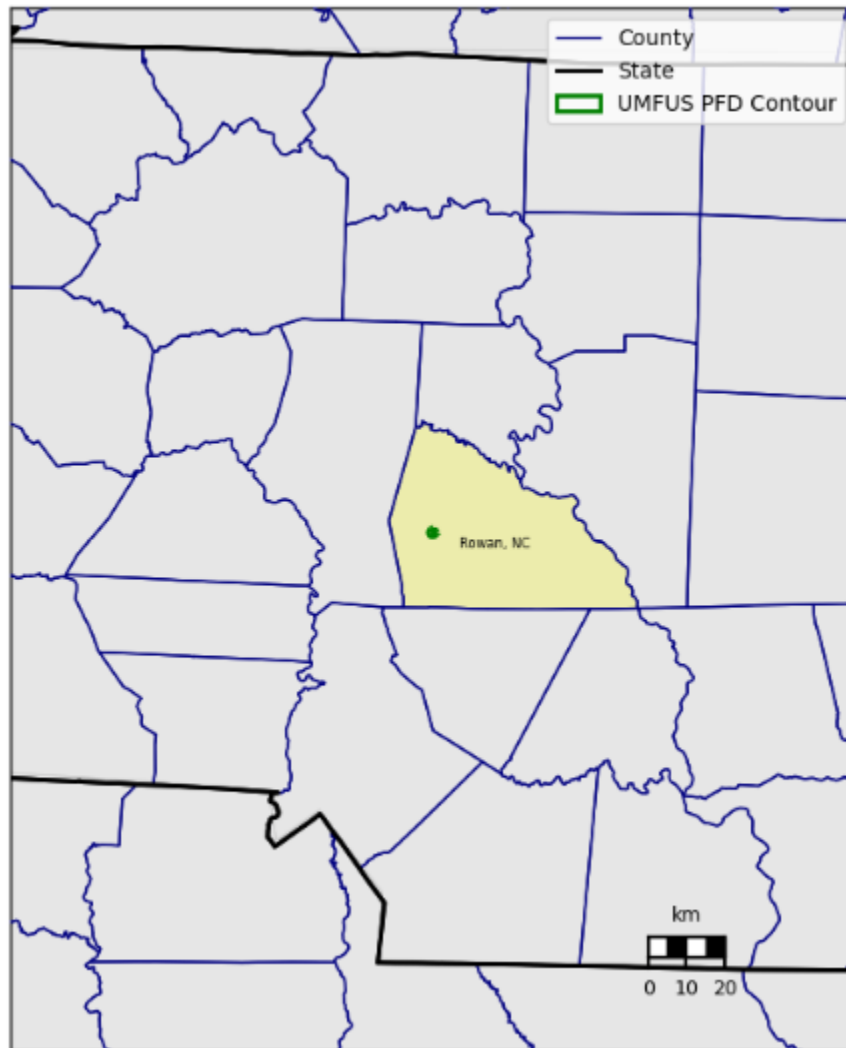
<sup>3</sup> See Exhibit C, Comsearch Coordination Report.

**Section 25.136(a)(4)(i) (no more than three co-frequency FSS gateways in one county)**

*(i) There are no more than two other authorized earth stations operating in the 27.5-28.35 GHz band within the county where the proposed earth station is located that meet the criteria contained in either paragraph (a)(1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section. For purposes of this requirement, multiple earth stations that are collocated with or at a location contiguous to each other shall be considered as one earth station.*

Figure 1 depicts the Amazon gateway’s location in the County. As of the date of this submission, the Commission’s International Bureau Filing System shows one geostationary orbit FSS licensee, Viasat, using 27.5-28.35 GHz in the County: call sign E160116, which the Commission authorized and grandfathered in 2017 (“E160116”).<sup>4</sup> Amazon’s gateway will collocate with the existing E160116 gateway and satisfies Section 25.136(a)(4)(i).

*Figure 1. Location of Amazon Gateway*



<sup>4</sup> See License, IBFS File No. SES-LIC-20160610-00546 (granted Jan. 19, 2017).

**PFD contour generation for 25.136(a)(4)(ii)–(iv)**

To verify compliance, Amazon generated the new Amazon gateway PFD contour, existing E160116 gateway PFD contour, and aggregate gateway PFD contour (new Amazon gateway PFD contour and existing E160116 gateway PFD contour).

*New Amazon gateway PFD contour.* The gateway’s maximum aggregate equivalent isotropic radiated power (“EIRP”) from its four active antennas will be -16.2 dBW/MHz at the horizon in any azimuth direction. Amazon will also deploy this gateway with a standard shielding solution that will provide at least 15 dB of attenuation on the gateway transmissions.<sup>5</sup> The shielding solution will entirely surround the new Amazon gateway. The effective EIRP at the horizon will be no greater than -31.2 dBW/MHz with the shielding attenuation included.

<b>Field</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Units</b>
County	Rowan County, NC	
Coordinates	35.65N, -80.67W	
Simulation Frequency	27.5	GHz
Number of Active Antennas	4	
Worst-case Antenna Gain toward the Horizon	-0.5	dBi
Average Gain toward the Horizon	-10.0	dBi
RF Transmit Power	-17.0	dBW/MHz
Aggregate EIRP toward the Horizon (without Shielding) <sup>6</sup>	-16.2	dBW/MHz
Aggregate EIRP toward the Horizon (with Shielding) <sup>7</sup>	-31.2	dBW/MHz

Amazon generated the gateway’s -77.6 dBW/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour using proprietary satellite communications and geospatial analysis software and verified the results using Visualyze Pro. To assess radio propagation, Amazon used ITU-R Recommendation P.452 and National Aeronautics and Space Administration Shuttle Radar Topography (Version 2) digital topology data, which employs a 1-arc second resolution.<sup>8</sup> The antenna gain toward the horizon is derived from antenna manufacturer simulations and complies with the section 25.209(a)(1)<sup>9</sup> antenna gain masks for all

<sup>5</sup> See Guidance at 3 (computing PFD contours and protection zones at bullet 4).

<sup>6</sup> This figure is based on three of the four active antennas operating at average gain (-10 dBi) and one of the four active antennas operating at the worst-case gain (-0.5 dBi). It is extremely unlikely that more than one active antenna will be in a worst-case position at the same time.

<sup>7</sup> This figure is the Aggregate EIRP toward the Horizon (without Shielding) minus an additional 15 dB of attenuation for shielding.

<sup>8</sup> See Guidance at 3 (computing PFD contours and protection zones at bullets 2 and 4).

<sup>9</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.209(a)(1); see also Guidance at 3 (computing PFD contours and protection zones at bullet 3).

off-axis angles.<sup>10</sup> The PFD contour is generated using the worst case input power density rather than the input power density during clear sky conditions.<sup>11</sup>

Figure 2 shows Amazon's PFD contour in Google Earth and confirms the contour complies with the Guidance.

*Existing E160116 gateway PFD contour.* The applicant for the E160116 gateway filed before July 14, 2016 and did not file a PFD contour.<sup>12</sup> As a result, Amazon uses the technical parameters from the E160116 gateway license to compute the  $-77.6$  dBW/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour.

Figure 3 shows the PFD contour for the existing E160116 gateway in Google Earth.

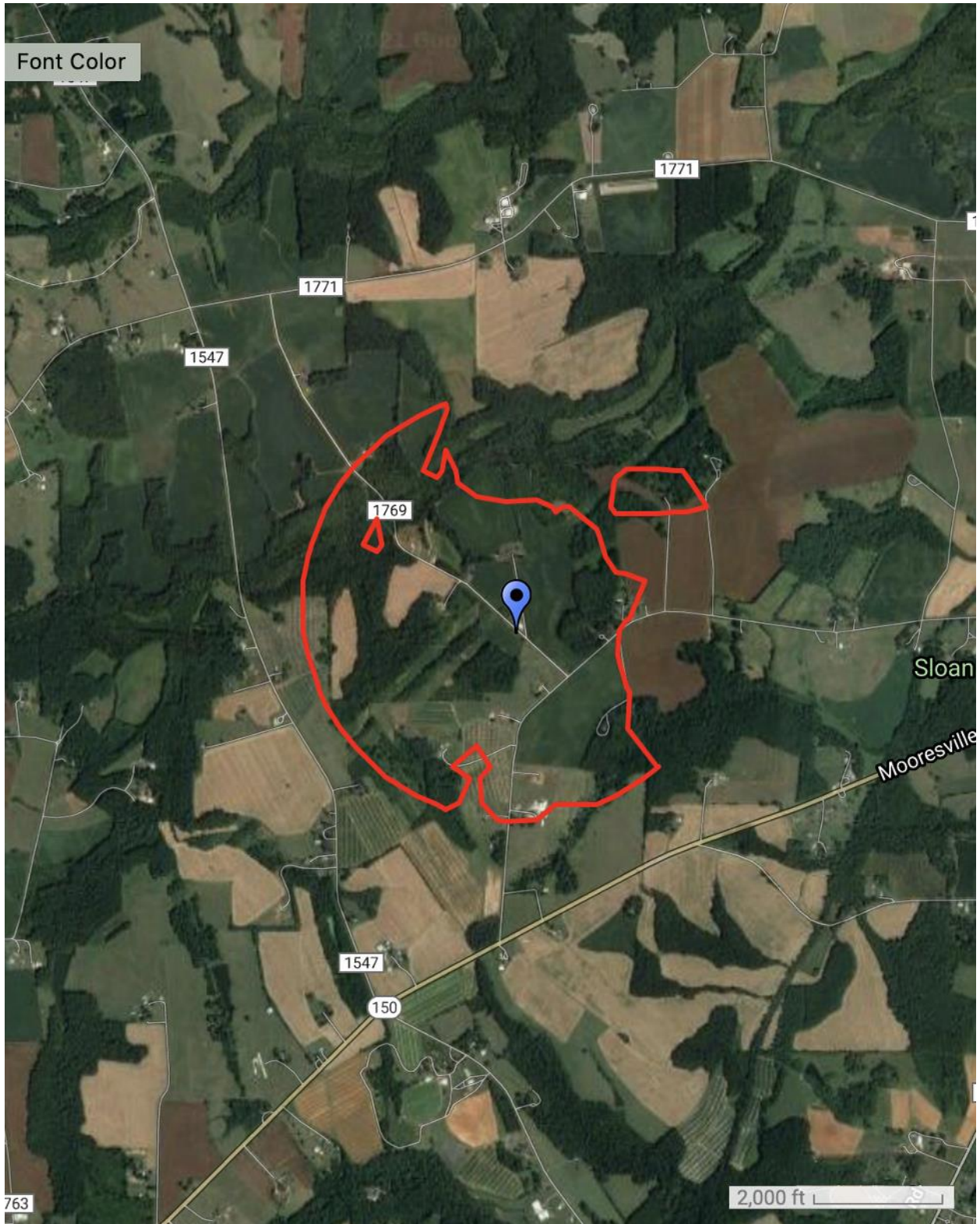
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<sup>10</sup> See Guidance at 3 (computing PFD contours and protection zones at bullet 3).

<sup>11</sup> See *id.* (computing PFD contours and protection zones at bullet 5).

<sup>12</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.136(a)(3).

Figure 2. New Amazon Gateway PFD Contour

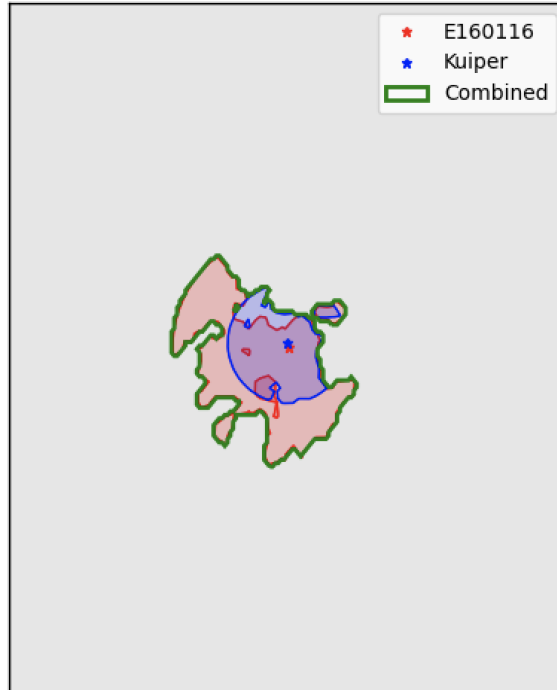






Aggregate PFD contour. Figure 4 shows the aggregate PFD contour (new Amazon gateway PFD contour and existing E160116 gateway PFD contour).

Figure 4. Aggregate PFD Contour



**Section 25.136(a)(4)(ii) (-77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour covering only certain population totals)**

(ii) *The area in which the earth station generates a PFD, at 10 meters above ground level, of greater than or equal to -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz, together with the similar area of any other earth station authorized pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section, does not cover, in the aggregate, more than the amount of population of the UMFUS license area within which the earth station is located as noted in table 1 to this paragraph (a)(4)(ii).*

TABLE 1 TO PARAGRAPH (a)(4)(ii)

Population within UMFUS license area	Maximum permitted aggregate population within -77.6 dBm/m <sup>2</sup> /MHz PFD contour of earth stations
Greater than 450,000	0.1 percent of population in UMFUS license area.
Between 6,000 and 450,000	450 people.
Fewer than 6,000	7.5 percent of population in UMFUS license area.

If the aggregate PFD contour falls outside the existing gateway PFD contour, only the population outside the existing gateway’s PFD contour will count against the aggregate population limit for

that licensing area.<sup>13</sup> Here, Amazon determined the overlap of the existing E160116 gateway PFD contour and new Amazon gateway PFD contour, as Figure 4 illustrates, and considered only the population covered by the new Amazon gateway PFD contour area outside the existing gateway's PFD contour when assessing compliance with the aggregate population limits.

The resulting PFD contour overlaps several census blocks, all in the County. The County's population totals 138,428 people, according to 2010 U.S. Census Bureau data,<sup>14</sup> so the maximum population permitted within the FSS gateway's -77.6 dBW/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour is 450 people.

*New Amazon gateway.* Figure 5 shows the census blocks that are fully or partially covered by the PFD contour. Table 1 shows the total population, fractional area coverage, and fractional population coverage for each fully and partially covered census block. Table 2 shows the total population covered in each county that the PFD contour overlaps. Amazon determined that the proposed gateway's PFD contour covers no more than 15 people<sup>15</sup>—less than the 450 limit—using 2010 U.S. Census Bureau data and the actual area method.<sup>16</sup>

*Combined new Amazon gateway and E160116 gateway contour.* Figure 6 shows the census blocks that are fully or partially covered by the aggregate PFD contour created by the new Amazon gateway and the E160116 gateway. Table 3 shows the total population, fractional area coverage, and fractional population coverage for each fully and partially covered census block. Table 4 shows the total population covered in each county that the aggregate PFD contour overlaps.

As demonstrated below, Amazon's gateway complies with the aggregate population coverage limits in Section 25.136(a)(4)(ii).

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<sup>13</sup> See Guidance at 5 (colocation of earth stations at bullet 3).

<sup>14</sup> See *Rowan County, North Carolina*, U.S. Census Bureau, <https://bit.ly/3vTJBkJ> (last visited March 24, 2021).

<sup>15</sup> A number of people covered by the new Amazon gateway PFD contour are covered by the existing E160116 PFD contour.

<sup>16</sup> See Guidance at 4 (determining estimated aggregate population coverage at bullet 2).

Figure 5. Census Block and Population Coverage of New Amazon Gateway PFD Contour

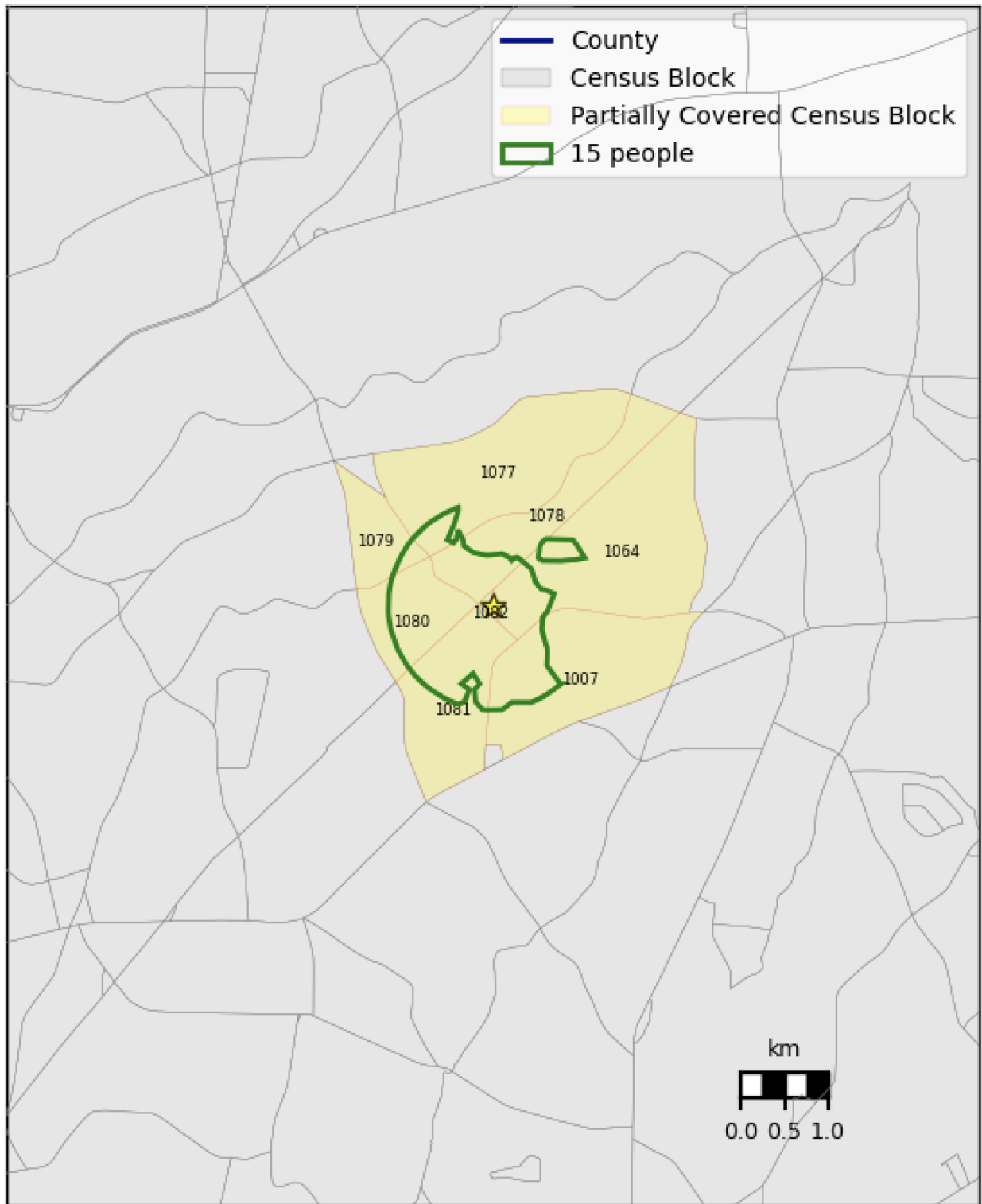


Table 1. New Amazon Gateway PFD Contour Population Coverage, by Census Block

State	County	Block ID	Block Population	Coverage Fraction	Covered Population
NC	Rowan	371590518021007	25	19%	4.8
NC	Rowan	371590519011064	21	14%	3.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011077	7	5%	0.4
NC	Rowan	371590519011078	3	27%	0.8
NC	Rowan	371590519011079	0	10%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011080	0	71%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011081	15	42%	6.3
NC	Rowan	371590519011082	0	100%	0.0

Table 2. New Amazon Gateway PFD Contour Population Coverage, by County

State	County	County Population	Allowable Population Coverage	Covered Population
NC	Rowan	138,428	450	15.3

Figure 6. Census Block and Population Coverage of Aggregate PFD Contour

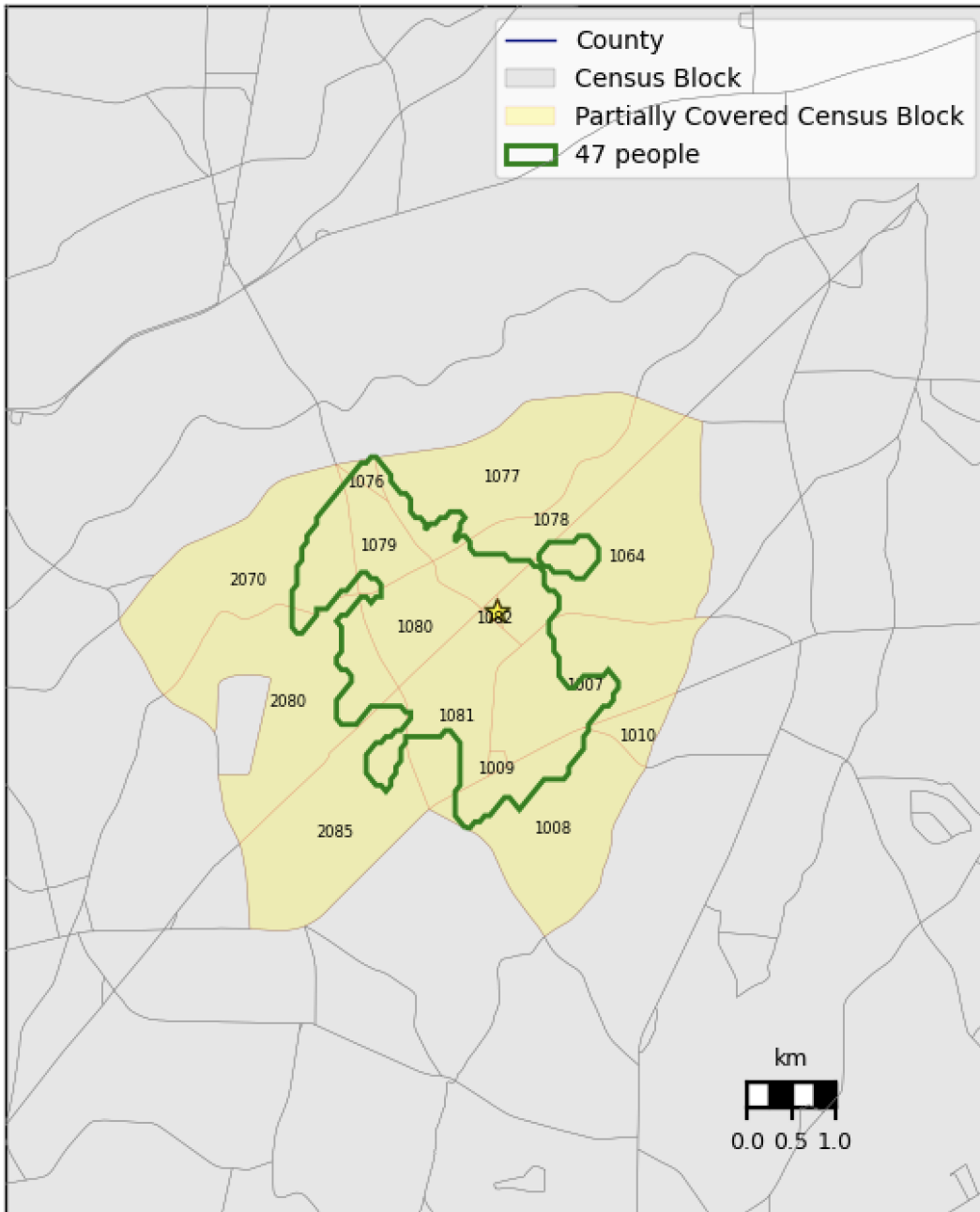


Table 3. Aggregate PFD Contour Population Coverage, by Census Block

State	County	Block ID	Block Population	Coverage Fraction	Covered Population
NC	Rowan	371590518021007	25	48%	12.1
NC	Rowan	371590518021008	15	21%	3.2
NC	Rowan	371590518021009	0	100%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590518021010	27	0%	0.1
NC	Rowan	371590519011064	21	19%	3.9
NC	Rowan	371590519011076	0	75%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011077	7	12%	0.9
NC	Rowan	371590519011078	3	29%	0.9
NC	Rowan	371590519011079	0	91%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011080	0	99%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519011081	15	78%	11.7
NC	Rowan	371590519011082	0	100%	0.0
NC	Rowan	371590519012070	34	20%	6.8
NC	Rowan	371590519012080	35	17%	6.0
NC	Rowan	371590519012085	30	8%	2.3

Table 4. PFD Contour Population Coverage, by County

State	County	County Population	Allowable Population Coverage	Covered Population
NC	Rowan	138,428	450	47.8

**Section 25.136(a)(4)(iii) (major event venue, urban mass transit route, passenger railroad, cruise ship port, Interstate, Other Freeways and Expressways, or Other Principal Arterial in the -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour)**

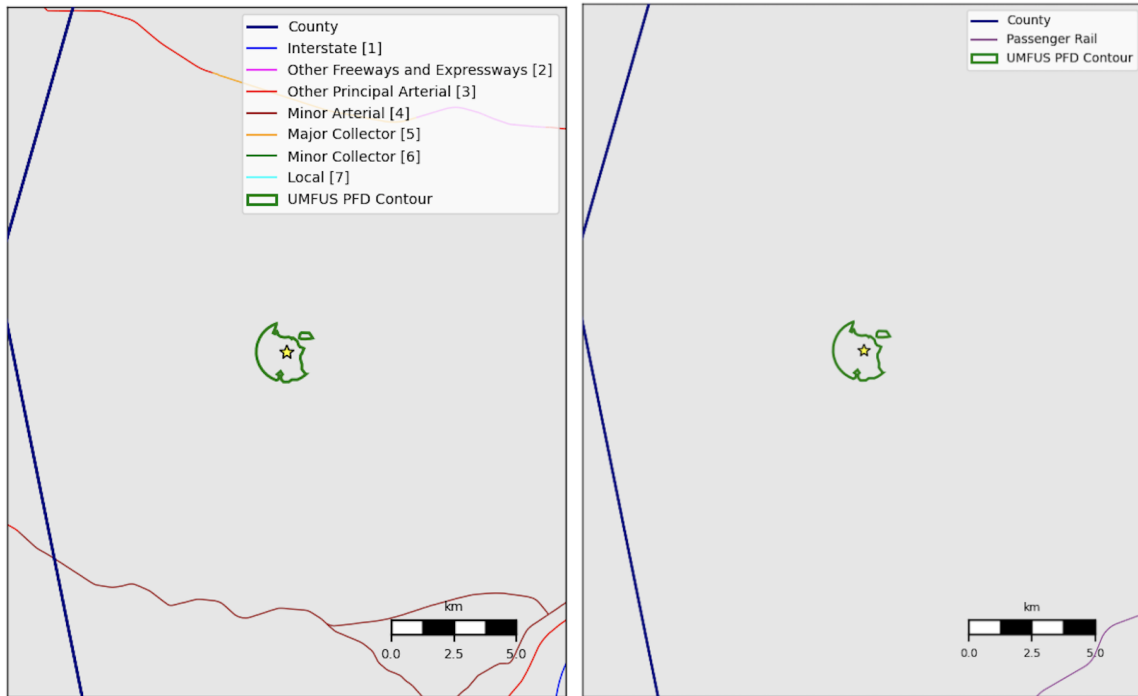
*(iii) The area in which the earth station generates a PFD, at 10 meters above ground level, of greater than or equal to -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz does not contain any major event venue, urban mass transit route, passenger railroad, or cruise ship port. In addition, the area mentioned in paragraph (a)(4)(ii) of this section shall not cross any of the following types of roads, as defined in functional classification guidelines issued by the Federal Highway Administration pursuant to 23 CFR 470.105(b): Interstate, Other Freeways and Expressways, or Other Principal Arterial. The Federal Highway Administration Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty Executive Geographic Information System (HEPGIS) map contains information on the classification of roads. For purposes of this rule, an urban area shall be an Adjusted Urban Area as defined in section 101(a)(37) of Title 21 of the United States Code.*

Amazon searched Google Earth and used visual analysis and shapefile data available on data.gov and the U.S. Census Bureau website to assess whether the Amazon gateway's -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz PFD contour contains any major event venues, urban mass transit route, passenger railroad, or cruise ship port. As indicated in Figure 7, the PFD contour does not overlap any such infrastructure. The PFD contour also does not cross any Interstate, Other Freeways and Expressways, or Other Principal Arterial, as defined by the Federal Highway Administration Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty Executive Geographic Information System.<sup>17</sup> The proposed gateway, therefore, adheres to Section 25.136(a)(iii).

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<sup>17</sup> See *Planning, Environment, Realty (HEP) HEPGIS*, U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration, <https://hepgis.fhwa.dot.gov/fhwagis/> (last visited March 24, 2021).

Figure 7. Amazon gateway PFD contour overlaid with major roadways (left) and passenger railroads (right)





**Section 25.136(a)(4)(iv) (coordination with existing UMFUS licensees located within a PFD contour greater than or equal to -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz)**

*(iv) The applicant has successfully completed frequency coordination with the UMFUS licensees within the area in which the earth station generates a PFD, at 10 meters above ground level, of greater than or equal to -77.6 dBm/m<sup>2</sup>/MHz with respect to existing facilities constructed and in operation by the UMFUS licensee. In coordinating with UMFUS licensees, the applicant shall use the applicable processes contained in §101.103(d) of this chapter.*

Exhibit C, Comsearch Coordination Report, establishes that Amazon has completed coordination with existing UMFUS licensees, as Section 25.136(a)(iv) requires.<sup>18</sup>

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<sup>18</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 101.103(d).

**EXHIBIT B (RADIATION HAZARD ANALYSIS)**

## Introduction

In accordance with OET Bulletin 65,<sup>1</sup> this Radiation Hazard Analysis demonstrates that the Amazon 2.4m gateway antennas comply with Commission limits for human exposure to radiofrequency (“RF”).

OET Bulletin 65 and section 1.1310 of the Commission’s rules specify two separate tiers of maximum permissible exposure (“MPE”).<sup>2</sup> The occupational/controlled MPE limit is 5 milliwatts per centimeter squared averaged over any six minute period.<sup>3</sup> The general population/uncontrolled MPE limit is 1 milliwatt per centimeter squared averaged over any thirty minute period.<sup>4</sup>

Amazon calculated the (i) power over the sub-reflector and antenna surface and (ii) near-field and far-field power density for the main and off-axis beams and confirms compliance with both MPE tiers’ limits for all regions.

- **Occupational/controlled exposure.** This population will not experience harmful radiation levels, as determined by the Commission. The results for the worst-case scenario (near-field, main-beam power density) support this conclusion.
- **General population/uncontrolled exposure.** This population will not experience harmful radiation levels, as determined by the Commission. The results for the worst-case scenario (near-field, off-axis power density) support this conclusion. Furthermore, gateways will be deployed in occupational/controlled exposure environments within access-controlled, locked facilities and will be inaccessible to the general population.

## Input Parameters

Input Parameter	Unit	Value
Aperture Diameter	meters	2.4
Aperture Radius	meters	1.20
Sub-reflector Diameter	meters	0.408
Sub-reflector Radius	meters	0.204
Aperture Efficiency	Percentage	46%
Frequency	MHz	28750.00
Total Transmitter Power	W	80
Minimum Elevation Angle	degrees	20.00

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<sup>1</sup> See FCC OET Bulletin 65, Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields (Aug. 1997) (“OET Bulletin 65”). Amazon is aware of and will comply with the recently modified rules for radiofrequency exposure that are relevant to fixed earth stations. See generally *Proposed Changes in the Commission’s Rules Regarding Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields et al.*, Second Report and Order et al., 34 FCC Rcd 11687 (2019).

<sup>2</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1310.

<sup>3</sup> See OET Bulletin 65 at Appendix A, Table 1(A).

<sup>4</sup> See *id.* at Appendix A, Table 1(B).

## Calculations

Calculated Variables	Unit	Value	Variable	OET Ref
Wavelength	meters	0.01	$\lambda = \frac{c}{f}$	
Area of Reflector	meters <sup>2</sup>	4.52	$A = \pi r^2$	
Area of Sub-reflector	meters <sup>2</sup>	0.1307	$A_{sub} = \pi r^2$	
Antenna Gain		240499.6	$G = \frac{\eta 4\pi A}{\lambda^2}$	(15)
Antenna Gain	dBi	53.8	$G_{dBi} = 10 * \log_{10}(G)$	
Near-Field Distance	meters	138.10	$R_{nf} = \frac{D^2}{4\lambda}$	(12)
Far-Field Distance	meters	331.43	$R_{ff} = \frac{0.6D^2}{\lambda}$	(16)
Far-Field Off-Axis Gain	dBi	-0.53	$G_{ff(dBi)} = 29 - 25\log_{10}(\theta)$ $\theta = \text{min elevation} = 20^\circ$	
Far-Field Off-Axis Gain		0.89	$G_{ff} = 10^{\left(\frac{G_{ff(dBi)}}{10}\right)}$	
Power over Sub-reflector	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	244.76	$S_{surface} = \frac{4P}{A_{sub}}$	(11)
Power over Antenna Surface	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	7.07	$S_{surface} = \frac{4P}{A}$	(11)
Near-Field Power Density (Main Beam)	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	3.25	$S_{nf} = \frac{16\eta P}{\pi D^2}$	(13)
Near-Field Power Density (Off-Axis)	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.033	$S_{nf} = \frac{16\eta P}{100\pi D^2}$	(13) <sup>5</sup>
Far-Field Max Power Density (Main Beam)	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	1.39	$S_{ff} = \frac{PG}{4\pi R^2}$	(18)
Far-Field Max Power Density (Off-Axis)	mW/cm <sup>2</sup>	0.000	$S_{ff\ off-axis} = \frac{PG_{ff}}{4\pi R^2}$	(18) <sup>6</sup>

<sup>5</sup> See *id.* at 30 (“For off-axis calculations in the near-field and in the transition region it can be assumed that, if the point of interest is at least one antenna diameter removed from the center of the main beam, the power density at that point would be at least a factor of 100 (20 dB) less than the value calculated for the equivalent distance in the main beam see Reference [15]).”).

<sup>6</sup> See *id.* (“For practical estimation of RF fields in the off-axis vicinity of aperture antennas, use of the antenna radiation pattern envelope can be useful. For example, for the case of an earth station in the fixed-satellite service, the Commission’s Rules specify maximum allowable gain for antenna sidelobes not within the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit, such as at ground level. . . . Use of the gain obtained from these relationships in simple far-field calculations, such as Equation 18, will generally be sufficient for estimating RF field levels in the surrounding environment, since the apparent aperture of the antenna is typically very small compared to its frontal area.”).

## **Additional Safety Measures**

Access to Amazon's antennas will be carefully controlled. The antennas will be enclosed by a 3m tall fence with locked gates. There will be clear and visible signage that will warn individuals of potential RF exposure risk. Each antenna will have an emergency stop switch that is to be engaged whenever personnel are working on or close to the antenna. The emergency stop switch will disable all RF transmissions from the antenna. All pedestrian gates shall be fully access controlled. Emergency or delivery gates shall be secured with a lock and monitored. Additionally, the transmitter will be turned off during maintenance activities.

## **Results**

In a controlled area accessible to the occupational population, the peak near-field power density ( $3.25 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ ) and peak far-field power density ( $1.39 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ ) levels do not exceed the MPE limit of  $5 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  averaged over a period of six minutes.

In an uncontrolled area accessible to the general population, the off-axis near-field power density ( $0.033 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ ) and off-axis far-field power density ( $0.000 \text{ mW/cm}^2$ ) levels are below the MPE limit of  $1 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  averaged over a period of thirty minutes.<sup>7</sup>

This Radiation Hazard Analysis demonstrates that harmful levels of radiation will not occur in the regions accessible by both the occupational and general populations.

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<sup>7</sup> The minimum elevation angle of 20 degrees mostly prohibits the potential for the general population to be affected by the peak power density levels. Additionally, the constant repositioning of the antennas as they track Kuiper System low-earth orbit satellites also ensures that the average power density levels will be significantly reduced when averaged over any six-minute period.

**EXHIBIT C (COMSEARCH REPORT)**

# FREQUENCY COORDINATION AND INTERFERENCE ANALYSIS REPORT

Prepared for  
**Kuiper Systems LLC.**  
**MOUNT ULLA, NC**  
**Satellite Earth Station**

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## 1. CONCLUSIONS

An interference study considering all existing, proposed and prior coordinated microwave facilities within the coordination contours of the proposed earth station demonstrates that this site will operate satisfactorily with the common carrier microwave environment. Further, there will be no restrictions of its operation due to interference considerations.

## 2. SUMMARY OF RESULTS

A number of great circle interference cases were identified during the interference study of the proposed earth station. Each of the cases, which exceeded the interference objective on a line-of-sight basis, was profiled and the propagation losses estimated using NBS TN101 (Revised) techniques. The losses were found to be sufficient to reduce the signal levels to acceptable magnitudes in every case.

### 3. SUPPLEMENTAL SHOWING

Pursuant to Part 25.203(c) of the FCC Rules and Regulations, the satellite earth station proposed in this application was coordinated by Comsearch using computer techniques and in accordance with Part 25 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

Coordination data for this earth station was sent to the below listed carriers with a letter dated 02/02/2021.

Company

AT&T Corp.  
B2x Online Inc  
Bladen, County of  
Buncombe County  
Business Only Broadband, LLC  
Capitol Broadcasting Company Inc - WRAL  
Cellco Partnership - North Carolina  
Cellco Partnership - South Carolina  
City of Durham, NC  
City of Greenville, SC  
Clearwire Spectrum Holdings II, LLC  
Clearwire Spectrum Holdings III, LLC  
Clearwire Spectrum Holdings LLC  
Conterra Ultra Broadband, LLC  
EnergyUnited EMC  
Florence City South Carolina  
Franklin County Schools  
General Dynamics - OTS, Inc.  
Hardy Cellular Telephone Company  
Liberty University  
Moore County of  
NTInet, Inc  
New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC - VA  
New Cingular Wireless PCS LLC - WV,NC,SC  
North Carolina State Highway Patrol  
Olympic Wireless, LLC  
Orange Water and Sewer Authority  
PTA-FLA, Inc.  
Roanoke County of  
SC Educational Television Commission  
Shenandoah Personal Communications, LLC  
South Carolina Dept of Transportation  
Sprint Spectrum L.P.  
Sprintcom, Inc  
T-Mobile License LLC  
Telecom Transport Management, Inc  
The Wired Road Authority  
USCOC of Greater North Carolina, LLC  
Verizon Wireless (VAW) LLC- Tennessee  
Virginia Everywhere, LLC

WCNC TV Inc.  
WUNC Public Radio, LLC  
Warren County Emergency Services  
West Virginia Educational Broadcasting  
York, County of  
iHM Licenses, LLC

## **4. EARTH STATION COORDINATION DATA**

This section presents the data pertinent to frequency coordination of the proposed earth station that was circulated to all carriers within its coordination contours.

# COMSEARCH

## Earth Station Data Sheet

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Date: 03/09/2021  
Job Number: 210202COMSGE03

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### Administrative Information

Status ENGINEER PROPOSAL  
Call Sign  
Licensee Code KUIPER  
Licensee Name Kuiper Systems LLC.

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### Site Information

**MOUNT ULLA, NC**  
Venue Name  
Latitude (NAD 83) 35° 38' 58.2" N  
Longitude (NAD 83) 80° 40' 5.3" W  
Climate Zone A  
Rain Zone 1  
Ground Elevation (AMSL) 246.43 m / 808.5 ft

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### Link Information

Satellite Type Low Earth Orbit  
Mode TR - Transmit-Receive  
Modulation Digital  
Minimum Elevation Angle 20.0°  
Azimuth Range 0.0° to 360°  
Antenna Centerline (AGL) 2.74 m / 9.0 ft

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### Antenna Information

	<b>Receive - FCC32</b>	<b>Transmit - FCC32</b>
Manufacturer	Kuiper	Kuiper
Model	Model 24001	Model 24001
Gain / Diameter	49.0 dBi / 2.4 m	53.8 dBi / 2.4 m
3-dB / 15-dB Beamwidth	0.77° / 1.70°	0.49° / 1.17°
Max Available RF Power	(dBW/4 kHz) (dBW/MHz)	-41.0 -17.0
Maximum EIRP	(dBW/4 kHz) (dBW/MHz)	12.8 36.8
Interference Objectives:	Long Term Short Term	-156.0 dBW/MHz 20% -146.0 dBW/MHz 0.01%
		-151.0 dBW/4 kHz 20% -128.0 dBW/4 kHz 0.0025%

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### Frequency Information

	<b>Receive 18.0 GHz</b>	<b>Transmit 28.0 GHz</b>
Emission / Frequency Range (MHz)	50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 17800.0 - 18600.0 50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 18800.0 - 20200.0	50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 27500.0 - 30000.0
Max Great Circle Coordination Distance	247.0 km / 153.5 mi	25.0 km / 15.5 mi
Precipitation Scatter Contour Radius	100.0 km / 62.1 mi	100.0 km / 62.1 mi

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### Coordination Values

### MOUNT ULLA, NC

Licensee Name	Kuiper Systems LLC.		
Latitude (NAD 83)	35° 38' 58.2" N		
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Ground Elevation (AMSL)	246.43 m / 808.5 ft		
Antenna Centerline (AGL)	2.74 m / 9.0 ft		
Antenna Model	Kuiper 2.4 meter		
Antenna Mode	Receive 18.0 GHz		Transmit 28.0 GHz
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%
Max Available RF Power		-41.0 (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	95.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
5	0.00	90.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
10	0.00	85.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
15	0.00	80.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
20	0.00	75.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
25	0.00	70.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
30	0.00	65.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
35	0.00	60.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
40	0.00	55.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
45	0.00	50.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
50	0.00	45.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
55	0.00	40.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
60	0.00	35.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
65	0.00	30.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
70	0.00	25.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
75	0.00	20.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
80	0.00	15.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
85	0.00	10.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
90	0.00	5.59	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
95	0.00	1.22	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
100	0.00	4.66	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
105	0.00	9.59	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
110	0.00	14.57	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
115	0.00	19.56	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
120	0.00	24.55	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
125	0.00	29.55	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
130	0.00	34.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
135	0.00	39.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
140	0.00	44.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
145	0.00	49.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
150	0.00	54.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
155	0.00	59.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
160	0.00	64.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
165	0.00	69.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
170	0.00	74.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
175	0.00	79.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
180	0.00	84.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
185	0.00	89.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00

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Antenna Mode: Receive 18.0 GHz / Transmit 28.0 GHz  
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%)  
Max Available RF Power: -41.0 (dBW/4 kHz)

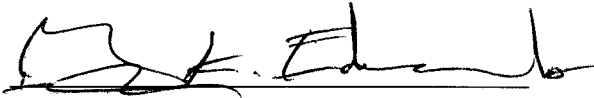
Azimuth (°)	Horizon Elevation (°)	Antenna Discrimination (°)	Receive 18.0 GHz		Transmit 28.0 GHz	
			Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)	Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)
190	0.00	94.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
195	0.00	99.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
200	0.00	104.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
205	0.00	109.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
210	0.23	114.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
215	0.22	119.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
220	0.00	124.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
225	0.00	129.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
230	0.00	134.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
235	0.00	139.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
240	0.00	144.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
245	0.00	149.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
250	0.00	154.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
255	0.00	159.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
260	0.00	164.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
265	0.00	169.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
270	0.00	174.41	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
275	0.00	178.78	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
280	0.00	175.34	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
285	0.00	170.41	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
290	0.00	165.43	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
295	0.00	160.44	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
300	0.00	155.45	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
305	0.00	150.45	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
310	0.00	145.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
315	0.00	140.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
320	0.00	135.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
325	0.00	130.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
330	0.00	125.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
335	0.00	120.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
340	0.00	115.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
345	0.00	110.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
350	0.00	105.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
355	0.00	100.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00



## 5. CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM THE TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE FREQUENCY COORDINATION DATA CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION, THAT I AM FAMILIAR WITH PARTS 101 AND 25 OF THE FCC RULES AND REGULATIONS, THAT I HAVE EITHER PREPARED OR REVIEWED THE FREQUENCY COORDINATION DATA SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION, AND THAT IT IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_



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DATED: March 09, 2021

# Ka-Band Earth Station – Mount Ulla, NC

## Frequency Coordination Report

28 GHz



Prepared on Behalf of  
**KUIPER SYSTEMS, LLC**

March 9, 2021



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## 1. Summary of Results

On behalf of KUIPER SYSTEMS, LLC, 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 Mount Ulla, NC, which will transmit at 28 GHz<sup>1</sup>. 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 March 9, 2021.

There are no unresolved objections 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 Mount Ulla, NC 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
AT&T	Statewide: NC
Frontier	Nationwide

A notification letter and datasheets for the Ka-Band earth station in Mount Ulla, NC 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.

<sup>1</sup> The proposed earth station will operate in the 27.5 – 30.0 GHz portion of the Ka-Band.

### 3. 28 GHz UMFUS Coordination

There was one 28 GHz UMFUS licensee 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
Verizon (also an LMDS Licensee)	Market Based

There are no Unresolved Objections from the UMFUS incumbents within coordination distance.



## **4. Earth Station Coordination Data**

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



Job Number: 210202COMSGE03

**Administrative Information**

Status ENGINEER PROPOSAL  
 Call Sign  
 Licensee Code KUIPER  
 Licensee Name Kuiper Systems LLC.

**Site Information MOUNT ULLA, NC**

Venue Name  
 Latitude (NAD 83) 35° 38' 58.2" N  
 Longitude (NAD 83) 80° 40' 5.3" W  
 Climate Zone A  
 Rain Zone 1  
 Ground Elevation (AMSL) 246.43 m / 808.5 ft

**Link Information**

Satellite Type Low Earth Orbit  
 Mode TR - Transmit-Receive  
 Modulation Digital  
 Minimum Elevation Angle 20.0°  
 Azimuth Range 0.0° to 360°  
 Antenna Centerline (AGL) 2.74 m / 9.0 ft

**Antenna Information**

Manufacturer  
 Model  
 Gain / Diameter  
 3-dB / 15-dB Beamwidth

**Receive - FCC32**

Kuiper  
 Model 24001  
 49.0 dBi / 2.4 m  
 0.77° / 1.70°

**Transmit - FCC32**

Kuiper  
 Model 24001  
 53.8 dBi / 2.4 m  
 0.49° / 1.17°

Max Available RF Power (dBW/4 kHz)  
 (dBW/MHz)

-41.0  
 -17.0

Maximum EIRP (dBW/4 kHz)  
 (dBW/MHz)

12.8  
 36.8

Interference Objectives: Long Term  
 Short Term

-156.0 dBW/MHz 20%  
 -146.0 dBW/MHz 0.01%

-151.0 dBW/4 kHz 20%  
 -128.0 dBW/4 kHz 0.0025%

**Frequency Information**

Emission / Frequency Range (MHz)

**Receive 18.0 GHz**

50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 17800.0 - 18600.0  
 50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 18800.0 - 20200.0

**Transmit 28.0 GHz**

50M0G7D - 500MG7D / 27500.0 - 30000.0

Max Great Circle Coordination Distance  
 Precipitation Scatter Contour Radius

247.0 km / 153.5 mi  
 100.0 km / 62.1 mi

25.0 km / 15.5 mi  
 100.0 km / 62.1 mi



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	0.0025%		
Max Available RF Power	-41.0 (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	95.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
5	0.00	90.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
10	0.00	85.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
15	0.00	80.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
20	0.00	75.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
25	0.00	70.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
30	0.00	65.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
35	0.00	60.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
40	0.00	55.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
45	0.00	50.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
50	0.00	45.48	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
55	0.00	40.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
60	0.00	35.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
65	0.00	30.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
70	0.00	25.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
75	0.00	20.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
80	0.00	15.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
85	0.00	10.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
90	0.00	5.59	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
95	0.00	1.22	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
100	0.00	4.66	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
105	0.00	9.59	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
110	0.00	14.57	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
115	0.00	19.56	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
120	0.00	24.55	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
125	0.00	29.55	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
130	0.00	34.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
135	0.00	39.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
140	0.00	44.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
145	0.00	49.54	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
150	0.00	54.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
155	0.00	59.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
160	0.00	64.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
165	0.00	69.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
170	0.00	74.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
175	0.00	79.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
180	0.00	84.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
185	0.00	89.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00





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			Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)	Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)
190	0.00	94.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
195	0.00	99.53	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
200	0.00	104.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
205	0.00	109.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
210	0.23	114.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
215	0.22	119.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
220	0.00	124.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
225	0.00	129.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
230	0.00	134.52	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
235	0.00	139.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
240	0.00	144.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
245	0.00	149.51	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
250	0.00	154.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
255	0.00	159.50	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
260	0.00	164.49	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
265	0.00	169.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
270	0.00	174.41	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
275	0.00	178.78	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
280	0.00	175.34	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
285	0.00	170.41	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
290	0.00	165.43	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
295	0.00	160.44	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
300	0.00	155.45	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
305	0.00	150.45	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
310	0.00	145.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
315	0.00	140.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
320	0.00	135.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
325	0.00	130.46	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
330	0.00	125.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
335	0.00	120.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
340	0.00	115.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
345	0.00	110.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
350	0.00	105.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00
355	0.00	100.47	-0.50	247.00	-0.50	25.00



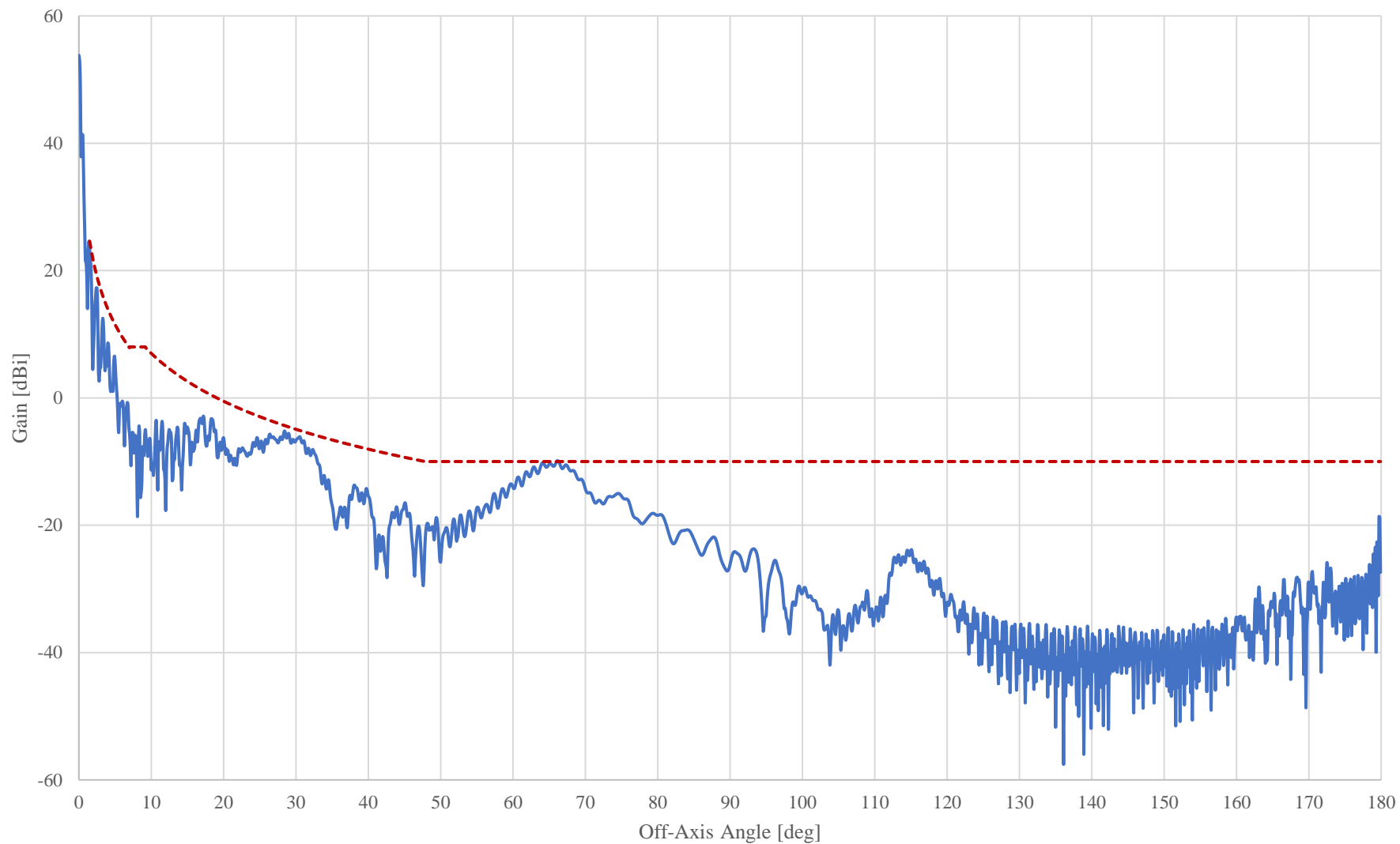
## **5. Contact Information**

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**EXHIBIT D (ANTENNA PATTERN)**

2.4m Antenna Pattern  
Frequency: 27500 MHz (CoPol)  
Gain: 53.8 dBi



— Antenna Gain    - - - - FCC 25.209(a)(1)