

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

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In the Matter of)
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Deere & Company) File No. SES-MFS-20071107-01535
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Application for Modification of Earth Station)
Authorization E010011 to Operate Receive-Only)
Mobile Earth Stations with Inmarsat III/F4 at 142 °)
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To: Chief, International Bureau

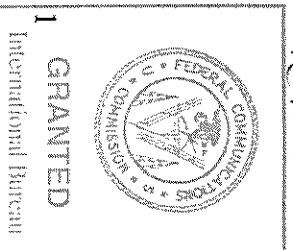
MOTION TO DESIGNATE PROCEEDING AS “PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE”

Deere & Company (“Deere”), by its attorneys, hereby requests that the Commission designate the captioned proceeding as “permit-but-disclose” under the Commission’s rules governing *ex parte* communications.¹ This proceeding involves an application for modification of Deere’s authorization for Station E010011 to operate receive-only mobile earth terminals with the Inmarsat III/F4 at 142 degrees. On November 8, 2007, Mobiles Satellite Ventures Subsidiary LLC (“MSV”) filed a “Notice of Intent to Participate.

The *ex parte* rules provide that “[w]here the public interest so requires in a particular proceeding, the Commission and its staff retain the discretion to modify the applicable *ex parte* rules by order, letter or public notice.”² A change in the status to permit-but-disclose in the captioned proceeding is clearly warranted in light of the issues

- 1 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*
- 2 47 C.F.R. § 1.1200(a).

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raised, and in order to harmonize the status of the captioned proceeding with that of numerous pending proceedings that also involve applications to utilize Inmarsat Ventures Limited (“Inmarsat”) space stations, and which the Commission already has designated permit-but-disclose.

Virtually all pending applications seeking authority to utilize Inmarsat space stations have been opposed by MSV. The Commission routinely has granted permit-but-disclose status in considering other such applications, finding the change in *ex parte* status, “will facilitate resolution of the complex policy issues raised in the application.”³ As in the other currently pending proceedings to utilize Inmarsat space stations, permit-but-disclose status in the captioned proceeding would serve the public interest by facilitating discussion with Commission staff to address the issues raised in this proceeding.

³ See, e.g., Deere & Company, Motion to Designate Proceeding as “Permit But Disclose,” File No. SES-STA-20070924-01310, grant stamp dated Nov. 8, 2007; Motion of Inmarsat Ventures Limited to Designate Proceedings as “Permit-But-Disclose,” File No. SES-STA-20070814-01092 *et al.*, grant stamp dated Oct. 10, 2007.

For the reasons stated above, Deere respectfully requests that the Commission designate the *ex parte* status of this proceeding as “permit-but-disclose.”

Respectfully submitted,



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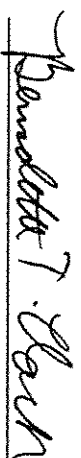
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Bernadette Clark, a secretary in the law offices of Bingham McCutchen LLP, hereby certify that on this 9th day of November, 2007, I caused to be served a true copy of the foregoing "Motion to Designate Proceeding as 'Permit But Disclose'" by first class mail, postage pre-paid (or as otherwise indicated) upon the following:

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