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Via HAND DELIVERY

Scott Kotler International Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: File Nos. SES-MFS-20080926-01243 (Call Sign E950288), SES-MFS-20080926-01244 (Call Sign E970394), SES-MFS-20080926-01245 (Call Sign E980178)

Dear Mr. Kotler:

EchoStar Corporation filed the above referenced applications on September 26, 2008, requesting modification of three of its transmit/receive earth stations to add several points of communication. One of the satellites identified in the applications is the EchoStar 8 satellite operating at the 77° W.L. orbital location under Mexican authority. Although that satellite is operating under Special Temporary Authority granted by the Commission, it has not yet been transferred to Mexican authority.<sup>1</sup> Therefore, EchoStar respectfully requests that its request to operate the three above referenced earth stations with EchoStar 8 as a Mexican-licensed satellite be removed from the above referenced applications. Otherwise, no other changes are requested.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202)429-6417 or at pvorwig@steptoe.com.

Respectfully,

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<sup>1</sup> See File No. SAT-STA-20080616-00121 (granted Oct. 31, 2008).