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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: SES Americom, Inc. Request for Correction of Earth Station License  
Call Sign E110104, File No. SES-MFS-20120525-00476**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

SES Americom, Inc. ("SES Americom," doing business as "SES"), by its attorney, hereby requests that the Commission correct the license issued in response to the above-referenced modification application (the "E110104 Modification") to refer to both the U.S.-licensed and Netherlands-licensed payloads of the NSS-7 spacecraft.

In the E110104 Modification, SES sought to update the earth station's license to reflect the fact that NSS-7, one of the satellites with which the station was authorized to communicate, was being relocated from 22° W.L. to 20° W.L. At 22° W.L., NSS-7 had been operated by New Skies Satellites B.V. ("New Skies"), an affiliate of SES Americom, pursuant to Netherlands license. However, SES explained in the E110104 Modification narrative that following relocation of NSS-7, New Skies would continue to operate the satellite's C-band payload, certain extended Ku-band telemetry, tracking and control ("TT&C") frequencies, and a portion of the conventional Ku-band payload pursuant to Netherlands authorization and that Intelsat was seeking a Commission license for the remaining NSS-7 conventional and extended Ku-band frequencies.<sup>1</sup> SES sought authority for E110104 to communicate with NSS-7 in the extended Ku-band both for TT&C and to provide customer services, requiring the earth station to access both Netherlands-licensed and U.S.-licensed frequencies.

The license issued in response to the E110104 Modification specifies NSS-7 as a point of communications at 20° W.L. but does not clearly reference the two separately-licensed payloads of the spacecraft.<sup>2</sup> Instead, the entry for NSS-7 on the E110104 license is internally inconsistent, indicating that the satellite is Netherlands-licensed but citing call sign S2854, which

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<sup>1</sup> See E110104 Modification, Narrative at 1 & nn. 2 & 3, *citing* New Skies Satellites N.V., File No. SAT-MPL-20120215-00017, call sign S2463, and Intelsat License LLC, File No. SAT-RPL-20120216-00018, call sign S2854.

<sup>2</sup> See Call Sign E110104, File No. SES-MFS-20120525-00476 (grant date 09/06/2012) at 3, Section D.

is the call sign associated with the U.S.-licensed frequencies on the satellite. SES requests that the Commission correct the E110104 license by including separate entries under Section D for the two payloads of NSS-7 as follows:

2) 1 to NSS-7 @ 20 W.L. S2463 (Netherlands-licensed)

3) 1 to NSS-7 @ 20 W.L. S2854 (U.S.-licensed)

Correction of the license will serve the public interest by making clear that SES is authorized to use E110104 both to perform TT&C functions for NSS-7 and to provide service continuity to customers.

Please address any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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