

RESPONSE TO QUESTION 43a

With respect to the geographic service requirements in Section 25.148(c) of the Commission's rules,¹ DBS service to Alaska and Hawaii is not technically feasible from the 77° W.L. orbital location, as the Commission recognized in granting EchoStar's request for authority to transfer the EchoStar 8 satellite to QuetzSat for re-flagging under Mexican authority.²

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 25.148(c).

² *See* Radio Station Authorization, File No. SAT-T/C-20090217-00026 (granted Sept. 17, 2010).