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

In the Matter of)
AC BidCo LLC))
Modification to Blanket License for Operation of Aeronautical Ku-Band Transmit/Receive)))
Earth Stations in Motion)

File No. SES-MOD-____ Call Sign E120106

MODIFICATION

AC BidCo LLC ("AC BidCo") hereby requests a modification of its blanket license to operate aeronautical Ku-band transmit/receive earth stations in motion ("ESIMs") on domestic and international flights.¹ AC BidCo requests that the Commission modify the AC BidCo License to add the Canadian-licensed Anik F1R satellite at 107.3° W.L as an authorized point of communication; increase the number of ThinKom model 2Ku antennas designated as AES2 on the AC BidCo License from 1,000 to 2,500; and make associated technical changes.

A narrative description of the relevant changes is provided here, and AC BidCo is attaching an FCC Form 312 with the updated information. Pursuant to Section 25.117(c) of the Commission's rules, AC BidCo is providing herein information that is changing as a result of the modification. AC BidCo certifies that the remaining information provided in support of the AC BidCo License has not changed.²

¹ See Call Sign E120106, File No. SES-MFS-20190304-00227, granted July 22, 2019 (the "AC BidCo License").

² For the Commission's convenience, AC BidCo has attached as Annex 1 hereto a table listing the information required pursuant to Part 25 of the Commission's rules and providing a cross-reference to the necessary information. This table reflects the updated ESIMs regulatory regime adopted by the Commission in September of 2018. See Amendment of Parts 2 and 25 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate the Use of Earth Stations in Motion Communicating with Geostationary Orbit Space Stations in Frequency Bands Allocated to the Fixed-Satellite Service,

AC BidCo requests modification of its license to add the Anik F1R satellite as a point of communication for both the AeroSat antennas designated as AES1 on the AC BidCo License and the ThinKom model 2Ku antennas designated as AES2 on the license. Updated tables listing the satellites to be used and the associated ground stations are provided in Annex 2 hereto.

Anik F1R is a Canadian-licensed satellite which has been authorized to serve the U.S. at 107.3° W.L.,³ and complete technical information regarding the satellite is therefore already on file with the Commission.⁴ AC BidCo seeks authority to use Anik F1R capacity for ESIMs operations on a primary basis in the 14-14.5 GHz uplink spectrum and the 11.7-12.2 GHz downlink spectrum, consistent with the Anik F1R Authorization and as permitted under the ESIMs Order.

Anik F1R will provide coverage of North America. In support of the Anik F1R STA,

AC BidCo provided a letter confirming that operation of the AC BidCo terminals is consistent

with coordination agreements with satellites operated within six degrees of Anik F1R, and a

copy of that letter is included in the attached Annex 3 for the Commission's convenience.

AC BidCo's operations with Anik F1R will also conform to the terms of its agreements with the

National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the National Science Foundation.

In addition to adding Anik F1R, AC BidCo is seeking modification of its license to increase the number of authorized AES2 terminals to 2,500 and to add a wider bandwidth

Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 33 FCC Rcd 9327 (2018) ("ESIMs Order").

³ Call Sign S2674, File No. SAT-PPL-20050504-00094, granted June 8, 2018, as corrected July 21, 2005 (the "Anik F1R Authorization").

⁴ AC BidCo has already commenced operations with Anik F1R in the conventional Ku-band spectrum pursuant to a grant of Special Temporary Authority. *See AC BidCo LLC*, File No. SES-STA-20190802-01016, granted Aug. 12, 2019 ("Anik F1R STA"). AC Bidco's request to extend the Anik F1R STA is pending, File No. SES-STA-20191023-01360.

transmit emission designator for that terminal. These changes will enable AC BidCo to respond

to growing demand for in-flight connectivity services.

AC BidCo respectfully requests that the Commission modify the AC BidCo License to

reflect the changes described herein.

Respectfully submitted,

AC BIDCO LLC

By: <u>/s/ Marguerite Elias</u>

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Dated: November 12, 2019

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Regulatory				
Requirement	Citation to Information Provided			
25.115(m)(2),	Target satellite operator certifications pursuant to Section 25.220 are in			
25.228(a)	Annex 3 attached.			
25.115(m)(3)(i),	AC BidCo has previously demonstrated that its system will comply with			
25.228(b) & (c)	coordination agreements and requirements to cease transmissions if			
	applicable limits are exceeded.			
25.115(m)(3)(ii)	The ESAA network will operate in U.S. airspace, foreign airspace, and in			
	the airspace over international waters. Coverage areas for the specific			
	satellites to be used in the ESAA network are described in the table found			
	in Annex 2 attached.			
25.115(m)(3)(iii),	The 24/7 point of contact information remains the same. The phone			
25.228(g)(1)	number is +1 866-943-4662 and the e-mail address is <u>noc@gogoair.com</u> .			
	The street address is: AC BidCo Network Operations Center, 111 North			
	Canal Street, Chicago, IL, 60606, as specified in Form 312 Schedule B,			
	Items E2-E9.			
25.115(m)(3)(iv)	No change to previously filed Radiation Hazard analyses.			
25.228(j)(1)	AC BidCo's coordination agreement with NASA was filed February 1,			
	2013 in File Nos. SES-LIC-20120619-00574 et al.			
25.228(j)(3)	AC BidCo's coordination agreement with NSF was included as			
-	Amendment Exhibit B in File No. SES-AMD-20120731-00709.			

ANNEX 1: Table of Information Required by Commission Rules

ANNEX 2: Updated Spacecraft and Teleport Tables

Satellite	Location	Beam Coverage Area	Tx (GHz)	Rx (GHz)	Use in US airspace?	Satellite Operator
AMC-1 ¹	130.9W	North America, Pacific Ocean	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
AMC-4 ²	134.9W	North America, Pacific Ocean	14-14.5	11.45-11.7; 11.7-12.2	Yes	
AMC-6	83W	North America	14-14.5	11.45-11.7; 11.7-12.2	Yes	
AMC-21	124.9W	United States	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
ASTRA 4A	4.8E	Europe	14-14.25	11.7-12.2; 12.2-12.75	No	
SES-1	101W	North America	14-14.5	11.7–12.2	Yes	
SES-3	103W	North America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
SES-4	22W	Europe	14-14.5	12.5-12.75	No	SES
SES 6	40.5W	East Atlantic Ocean	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7	No	
5E5-0	40. <i>3</i> W	West Atlantic Ocean	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7	Yes	
SES-10	67W	North and Central America, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Caribbean	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 11.7-12.2	Yes	
SES-14	47.5W	North America	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 11.7-12.2	Yes	
SES-15	129.15W	North America, Pacific Ocean	14-14.5	10.7-11.7 11.7-12.2	Yes	

¹ This satellite is only used for communications with the Aerosat antenna system, designated AES1.

 $^{^{2}}$ This satellite is only used for communications with the ThinKom 2Ku antenna system, designated AES2.

Satellite	Location	Beam Coverage Area	Tx (GHz)	Rx (GHz)	Use in US airspace?	Satellite Operator
Galaxy 17	91W	North America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
Galaxy 28	89W	Brazil	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	No	
IS-14	45W	North and South America excludes Brazil	14-14.5	11.7–12.2	Yes	
IS-18	180E	South Pacific	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	
		Northeast Pacific	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	Yes	
TS-10	166F	Northwest Pacific				
15-17	TOOL	Australia	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	
		Southwest Pacific				
IS-20	68.5E	Middle East	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 12.5-12.75	No	
IC 01	5 9 W	Brazil	14-14.5	11.7–12.2	No	
15-21	38W	South Atlantic Ocean	14-14.5	11.45–11.7	No	Tradicities (
IS-22	72.1E	Mobility from Mideast to Japan and to Australia	14-14.5	12.25–12.5	No	Intersat
IS-29e	50W	United States	14-14.5	10.95-11.7; 11.7-12.2	Yes	
IS-33e	60E	Africa, Asia, and Europe	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 11.7-12.2; 12.5-12.6	No	
IS-37e	18W	Europe	14-14.5	10.95-11.7; 12.5-12.75	No	
IS-904	60E	Spot 1 - Western Russia	14-14.5	10.95–11.2; 11.45-11.7	No	
IS-907	27.5W	East Pacific	14-14.5	10.95–11.2; 11.45-11.7	Yes	
Horizons 3e	169E	Asia Pacific	14-14.5	10.95-11.7 12.2-12.75	Yes	

Satellite	Location	Beam Coverage Area	Tx (GHz)	Rx (GHz)	Use in US airspace?	Satellite Operator
Eutelsat 115WB	114.9W	North America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	Eutelsat
Eutelsat 117WA	116.8W	Central and South America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
E172B ¹	172E	North Pacific and Northeastern Russia	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 12.2-12.75	No	
Anik F1R	107.3W	North America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	
T-11N	37.5W	Africa	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 12.5-12.75	No	
		Atlantic	14-14.5	11.45-11.7	No	Telesat
Telstar 12V	15W	Brazil	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	No	Telebat
Telstar 18/ Apstar 5	138E	Asia	14-14.5	12.2–12.75	No	
Telstar 18V	138E	Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, and Malaysia	14-14.5	11.45-11.7	No	
JCSAT-2B	154E	South Pacific	14-14.5	11.45-11.7; 12.25-12.75	Yes	
JCSAT-3A	128E	Japan	14-14.5	12.2-12.75	No	ICAT
JCSAT-5A ¹	132E	Japan	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	JSAT
JCSAT- 110A ²	110E	Indian Ocean	14-14.5	12.2-12.75	No	
Yamal 300K	177W	North Pacific Ocean	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 12.5-12.75	Yes	Gazprom Space
Yamal 401	90E	Russia	14-14.5	10.95-11.2; 11.45-11.7; 12.5-12.75	No	Systems
AsiaSat 7	105.5E	China	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	
AsiaSat 9	122E	China	14-14.5	10.95-12.75	No	AsiaSat
ARSAT-2	81W	North America	14-14.5	11.7-12.2	Yes	Empresa Argentina de Soluciones Satelitales S.A.
Optus D2	152E	Australia	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	Optus
ABS-3A	3W	North and South America	14-14.25	10.95-11.2	Yes	ABS Global
APSTAR-6C	134E	Asia	14-14.5	12.25-12.75	No	APT Mobile Satcom Limited
Amazonas-2	61W	North America	14-14.5	10.95-11.2 11.7-12.2	Yes	Hispamar Satellite S.A.

¹ These satellites are only used for communications with the Aerosat antenna system, designated AES1.

² This satellite is only used for communications with the ThinKom 2Ku antenna system, designated AES2.

ANNEX 3: Satellite Company Letter

Satellite	Teleport Location	FCC Call Sign		
AMC-1	Woodbine, MD	E900448		
AMC-4	Brewster, WA	E120043		
AMC-6	Perris, CA	E940448		
AMC-21	Woodbine, MD	E900448		
ASTRA 4A	Betzdorf, Luxembourg	N/A		
SES-1	Woodbine, MD	E920698		
SES-3	Woodbine, MD	E140059		
CEC 4	Bristow, VA	E020071		
5E5-4	Bristow, VA	E000696		
SES-6	Betzdorf, Luxembourg	N/A		
SES-10	Perris, CA	E940448		
SES 1/	Woodbine, MD	E170197		
5£5-14	Port St. Lucie, FL	E170198		
SFS-15	Woodbine, MD	E170138		
515-15	South Mountain, CA	E170139		
Galaxy 17	Atlanta, GA ATL-K26	E990214		
Galaxy 28	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	N/A		
IS-1 <i>1</i>	ATL teleport ATL-C06	E940333		
18-14	ATL teleport ATL-K15	E090093		
IS-18	IS-18 Napa teleport NAP-K22			
	Perth, Australia	N/A		
IS-19	Napa teleport NAP-K31	E980460		
	Napa teleport NAP-C30	E980467		
IS-20	Fuchsstadt, Germany	N/A		
IS-21	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	N/A		
10-21	Mobility: MTN teleport MTN-K02	E030051		
IS-22	Kumsan, Korea	N/A		
IS-29e	Hagerstown, MD	E030103		
IS-33e	Fuchsstadt, Germany	N/A		
15 000	Moscow, Russia	N/A		
IS-37e	Hagerstown, MD	E040414		
IS-904	Moscow, Russia	N/A		
IS-907	Hagerstown, MD E030103			
Horizons 3e	Napa teleport NAP-C21	E950307		

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Satellite	Teleport Location	FCC Call Sign	
Eutelsat 115WB	Brewster, WA	E120043	
Eutelsat 117WA	Brewster, WA	E060416	
E172B	Khabarovsk, Russia N/A		
Anik F1R	Brewster, WA	E960222	
T-11N	Aflenz, Austria	N/A	
Telstar 12V	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	N/A	
Telstar 18/Apstar 5	China	N/A	
Telstar 18V	Sydney, Australia	N/A	
JCSAT-2B	Kapolei, HI	E010236	
JCSAT-3A	Yokohama, Japan	N/A	
JCSAT-5A	Yokohama, Japan N/A		
JCSAT-110A	Perth, Australia N/A		
Yamal 300K	Brewster, WA BRW-05C	E120043	
Yamal 401	Moscow, Russia	N/A	
AsiaSat-7	Beijing, China	N/A	
AsiaSat-9	Beijing, China	N/A	
ARSAT-2	Brewster, WA	E120043	
Optus D2	Belrose, Australia	N/A	
ABS-3A	Macae, Brazil	N/A	
APSTAR 6C	Beijing, China	N/A	
Amazonas-2	Brewster, WA	E891020 ¹	

ANNEX 3: Satellite Company Letter

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12 July 2019

Federal Communications Commission International Bureau 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: AC BidCo LLC Application for earth stations aboard aircraft ("ESAA") terminals

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter certifies that Telesat is aware that AC BidCo LLC ("AC BidCo") is planning to seek authorization from the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") to operate Kuband transmit/receive terminals AES1 and AES2 for the provision of Aeronautical Mobile Satellite Service (Call Sign E120106) and that AC BidCo seeks additional authorization for these aeronautical Kuband earth stations to utilize the Anik F1R satellite at 107.3°W orbital location under the current FCC rules for Earth Stations Aboard Aircraft ("ESAA"), including Section 25.227.

Based on the information provided by AC BidCo, Telesat (i) certifies that the use of the ESAA transmit/receive terminals AES1 and AES2 by AC BidCo, installed and operated in accordance with the AC BidCo application and the above conditions, is consistent with the existing coordination agreements with all adjacent satellite operators within +/- 6 degrees from Anik F1R; and (ii) confirms that if the FCC authorizes the operations proposed by AC BidCo, Telesat will take into consideration the power density levels associated with such operations in future satellite network coordination with adjacent satellite operators.

Yours Sincerely,

BAHRAM BORNA Senior Systems Engineer Telesat