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Satellite and
Radiocommunications Division
International Bureau

Re: Mobile Satellite Ventures Subsidiary LLC
File No. SAT-MOD-20031118-00333 (ATC application)
File No. SAT-AMD-20031118-00332 (ATC application)
File No. SES-MOD-20031118-01879 (ATC application) ✓ E980179

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The US GPS Industry Council ("the Council"), though counsel, urges the Commission to grant the above referenced applications of Mobile Satellite Ventures Subsidiary LLC ("MSV"), and to do so as soon as possible. As previously reported to the Commission,¹ the Council and MSV worked diligently to develop out-of-band emission ("OOBE") limits from MSV ancillary terrestrial component ("ATC") base stations and terminals into the GPS band, which are intended to protect GPS receivers and at the same time allow MSV to maximize the utility of its ATC service to its users.

In its applications, and as subsequently amended on February 27, 2004,² MSV proposes to operate at OOBE levels that are even more stringent than those set out in its agreement with the Council. We believe that MSV is to be commended for its proposal to use its spectrum in a responsible manner that ensures the continued utility of GPS receivers operating in the vicinity of MSV ATC stations. The major issues raised in its application have been before the Commission and fully briefed since at least mid 2003 and, in many cases, for far longer. Thus, the Commission's granting MSV's applications expeditiously would validate MSV's adherence to best commercial practices and advance the public and national interests in promoting the responsible use of spectrum.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Joint U.S. GPS Industry Council and MSV *Ex Parte* letter to Ms. Dortch filed in IB Docket No. 01-185; File No. SAT-ASG-20010302-00017 et al. on July 17, 2002.

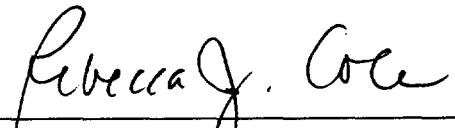
² MSV amendment filed in above-referenced application proceedings on February 27, 2004.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Rebecca J. Cole, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Comments in Support of Mobile Satellite Ventures Subsidiary LLC Applications was sent by U.S. mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the following:

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