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Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20054

Re: GTECH Corporation

VSAT Network Call Sign E930182

FCC File No. SES-AMD-20040528-00743

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find attached for inclusion in the above-reference file, original executed coordination letters indicating the approval of Intelsat and Panamsat for the VSAT network operations described in the referenced application. Electronic copies of these coordination letters have already been provided to the staff of the International Bureau.

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Bruce A. Olcott

Counsel to GTECH Corporation

Enclosures

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July 22, 2004

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



Subject: Engineering Certification of SES Americom

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This letter certifies that SES Americom Inc. ("SES") is aware that GTECH Corporation ("GTECH"), a customer of SES Americom's customer Hughes Network Systems (HNS), is seeking FCC authorization to access SES satellite AMC-3 at 87° degrees W.L. licensed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), using Ku--band transmit/receive antennas that are not strictly compliant with the FCC 2-degree spacing requirements for off-axis sidelobe gain. The SES AMC-3 satellite provides coverage of the Continental United States (CONUS) from this orbital location, at 87 degrees W.L. SES has provided Intelsat with a list of SES transponders currently assigned to support transmissions from these antennas and, for purposes of inter-system coordination, will promptly provide Intelsat with relevant information for any additional or different transponders provided by SES.¹

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¹ Intelsat agrees to keep all transponder specific information it acquires from SES confidentially and shall not disclose such information to any third parties.

interference into adjacent satellites with a separation of two degrees with respect to AMC-3.

Prodelin, model number HANT-91TR, 98 by 56 cm elliptical-aperture antenna

One terminal utilizes a 98 by 56 cm elliptical-aperture antenna having the same transmit gain as a 74 cm equivalent circular-aperture (E74 cm) Prodelin antenna. These antennas generally exhibit their non-compliance in the region from 1.25 to 1.4 degrees off axis from maximum gain in the transmit band, due to the width of their main gain lobe. They are compliant with the side lobe pattern requirements specified in Section 25.209 of the Commission's Rules in the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit as it appears at the particular earth station location for off-axis angles starting at 1.4 degrees in the transmit band. These antennas are to be installed with a nominal pointing accuracy of less than or equal to +/-0.56 degrees and will operate and will operate at a maximum input power density at the antenna waveguide flange of –16 dBW/4 kHz, compliant with the -14.0 dBW/4 kHz FCC maximum for 2-degree compliant systems and routine licensing².

Prodelin, model number 9008668, 98cm circular antenna

The other terminal utilizes a 98 cm circular-aperture Prodelin antenna. These antennas generally exhibit their non-compliance in the region from 1.25 to 1.6 degrees off axis from maximum gain in the transmit band, due to the width of their main gain lobe. They are compliant with the side lobe pattern requirements specified in Section 25.209 of the Commission's Rules in the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit as it appears at the particular earth station location for off-axis angles starting at 1.6 degrees in the transmit band. These antennas are to be installed with a nominal pointing accuracy of less than or equal to +/-0.40 degrees and will operate at a maximum input power density at the antenna waveguide flange of -16 dBW/4 kHz, compliant with the -14.0 dBW/4 kHz FCC maximum for 2-degree compliant systems and routine licensing³.

Channel Master, model number 75E, 89 by 62 cm elliptical-aperture antenna

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² 47 CFR § 25.134

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Channel Master, model number 960, 96 cm circular antenna

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GTECH testifies that the information provided to SES Americom and reflected in this Affidavit letter is true and accurate to best of GTECH's knowledge.

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Ram Manohar

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