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VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Arqiva, Inc., IBFS File Nos. SES-RWL-20101007-01268 (E000590); SES-RWL-20101007-01269 (E000622); SES-RWL-20101007-01270 (E000623)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Arqiva, Inc. (“Arqiva”), we are writing to ensure that the Commission is aware of certain issues with respect to the above-referenced applications, which were filed on October 7, 2010 to renew Arqiva’s existing licenses for earth stations E000590, E000622, and E000623.

At the time of filing, the International Bureau Filing System (“IBFS”) reported that Arqiva had outstanding obligations to the Commission, and informed Arqiva that its applications would be dismissed if those obligations remained unpaid after 30 days. In actually, these “obligations” consisted of \$51,092.50 in regulatory fees erroneously charged to Arqiva. Nevertheless, in order to facilitate the processing of its renewal applications Arqiva remitted a check for \$51,092.50 to the Commission, subject to the Commission’s “pay-and-dispute” rules. On October 13, 2010 Arqiva received confirmation that this check had been negotiated by U.S. Bank, and on October 27, 2010, Arqiva received confirmation that payment of \$51,092.50 had been cleared through its bank.

Accordingly, the International Bureau should now have a “green light” to process Arqiva’s renewal applications. However, IBFS continues to report these applications as “blocked,” and the Red Light Display System continues to report Arqiva as having outstanding obligations to the Commission. Arqiva understands that these errors have arisen as a result of the Commission’s efforts to implement new financial systems, and an associated “blackout” of certain of these systems that was scheduled to last for the first few weeks of October but actually has lasted considerably longer. *See* DA 10-1664 (Sep. 14, 2010).

Arqiva’s numerous attempts to correct the Commission’s electronic records have been unsuccessful; Commission staff has reported that such corrections are not possible while the “blackout” remains in effect. That being the case, Arqiva is filing this letter to document its payment of all outstanding “obligations,” and to urge the Commission to refrain from any precipitous action with respect to Arqiva’s renewal applications that might otherwise result from the errors in the Commission’s electronic records discussed herein.

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Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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