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## APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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## Request to Extend STA

The earth station license E880067 is incidental to a complicated merger transaction described in the underlying transfer application (File No. SES-T/C-INTR2005-01743) which, due to a number of factors involved in the transaction, could not be filed until August 3, 2005. That application appeared on public notice on August 24, 2005, which means that it cannot be granted prior to September 23, 2005. *See Public Notice*, Report No. SES-00742 (released Aug. 24, 2005).

A Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") was granted on August 11, 2005, to enable the licensee to continue to provide critical disaster recovery services which are essential to protect computer data and network communications while the transfer of control application is pending (File No. SES-STA-20050804-01054). The STA expires on September 10, 2005, at least two weeks before the pending transfer application can be granted. If this STA is not extended, innocent third parties will lose access to critical computer services.

In view of the foregoing, a grant of this request to extend the existing STA would serve the public interest. In an effort to avoid the need to seek a further extension request, the licensee hereby requests that the existing STA be extended for a period of thirty (30) days to allow sufficient time for the Commission's staff to process the underlying transfer application.