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

Notice of Ex Parte Presentation Re:

Stratos Communications, Inc. - File Nos. SES-STA-20051216-01760, SES-STA-20051216-01761, SES-STA-20051216-01762, SES-STA-20051216-01763, SES-STA-20051216-01764

Telenor Satellite, Inc. - File Nos. SES-STA-20051216-01756, SES-STA-20051216-01757, SES-STA-20051216-01758, SES-STA-20051216-01759

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday January 3, 2006, representatives for Stratos Communications, Inc. ("Stratos") and Telenor Satellite, Inc. ("Telenor") met to discuss the above-referenced STA requests with the following members of the International Bureau: Cassandra Thomas, Karl Kensinger, Robert Nelson and Stephen Duall. The representatives from Stratos were Robert Roe (Stratos Sr. VP of Sales), Alfred M. Mamlet (outside counsel, Steptoe & Johnson LLP) and Marc A. Paul (outside counsel, Steptoe & Johnson LLP). Representatives from Telenor included Bo Norton (Director of Channel Sales) and Keith Fagan (Senior Counsel).

The attached presentation (distributed at the meeting) summarizes what was discussed between Stratos, Telenor and the International Bureau staff. This Notice of Ex Parte Presentation is being filed on behalf of Stratos and Telenor. Two copies of this Notice are being submitted for each of the file numbers referenced above.

Sincerely, . .

Marc A. Paul

Counsel to Stratos Communications, Inc.

#### Enclosure

cc: Cassandra Thomas (International Bureau)

Karl Kensinger (International Bureau) Robert Nelson (International Bureau) Stephen Duall (International Bureau) Telenor Satellite Services, Inc. and Stratos Communications, Inc.

Meeting with FCC International Bureau January 3, 2006

Migration of Existing Inmarsat Services to a New Inmarsat Satellite at 52.75° W.L.





## Summary

- Stratos and Telenor have been licensed to use an Inmarsat satellite at 54° W.L. since October 2001
- Inmarsat will migrate existing services on January 15, 2006 to a new satellite at 52.75° W.L.
- STAs are needed by January 13, 2006 to prevent disruption of service





### **Existing Inmarsat Services**

- Licensed to provide Inmarsat services since 10/2001
  - Stratos provides: Inmarsat B, C, M, mini-M and M4 services
  - Telenor provides: Inmarsat B, C, mini-M, Aero
    Mini-M, M4, Aero-H and H+, Aero-I and Swift
- Authorized to communicate with 54° W.L.





#### **U.S. Customers**

- US Military: U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force
- Federal Government: State Department, FEMA, the U.S. Coast Guard, FBI and the Department of Homeland Security
- State/Local Government: New York Fire Department, Los Angeles Fire Department and National Guard
- Private Sector: Media and the oil and gas industry





### Migration of Existing Services

- January 15, 2006 migration of existing services to Inmarsat 4F2 at 52.75° W.L.
- Satellite at 54° W.L. to replace satellite at 142° W.L., which is out of fuel
- Timely migration is critical





### **Grant Pending Applications**

- No new service sought
  - Services licensed for more than four years
- Grant is in the public interest
  - No disruption in service
- Grant will not cause interference
  - Operations currently interference-free
  - Same technical envelope will be used





# Service to US end-users should not be disrupted

- Applications should not be held hostage to resolution of coordination issues
  - Coordination issues not created by existing services on I4 satellites
  - Not right forum
  - Harm U.S. customers and service providers
- During FCC deliberations, STA by January 13, 2006 will ensure no disruption of service



