

October 16, 2006

BY HAND DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: ***DIRECTV 9S In-Orbit Testing STAs***
SAT-STA-20060807-00085 (Call Sign S2669)
SES-STA-20060807-01318 (Call Sign E060236)
SES-STA-20060807-01319 (Call Sign E930304)
SES-STA-20060807-01320 (Call Sign E990159)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the conditions imposed in the special temporary authorizations (“STAs”) to perform in-orbit testing (“IOT”) of the DIRECTV 9S satellite at 138° W.L. granted in the above referenced proceedings, DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC hereby notifies the Commission that the satellite was successfully launched on October 13, 2006. Accordingly, the STAs will commence on October 25, 2006 and expire on December 4, 2006.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,



William M. Wiltshire
Counsel for DIRECTV Enterprises, LLC

cc: Robert Nelson
Scott Kotler