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# APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

APPLICANT INFORMATIONEnter a description of this application to identify it on the main menu:

Request for STA to operate up to 5,000 BGAN Mobile Earth Terminals with Inmarsat's fourth-generation satellite (Inmarsat 4F2)

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## FTMSC US, LLC IBFS File No. SES-STA-20061006-01820

The request of FTMSC US, LLC (FTMSC) for special temporary authority (STA) IS GRANTED. Accordingly, FTMSC is authorized for a period of 60 days, ending December 23, 2006, to operate up to 5,000 Broadband Global Area Network (BGAN) mobile earth terminals (METs) using the Inmarsat 4F2 satellite at 52.75° W.L., in accordance with the terms, conditions, and technical specifications set forth in the Commission's rules and this document.

- 1. Neither the aggregate uplink EIRP density in the direction of any other L-band satellite serving the United States, nor the downlink EIRP densities at any geographical point within the United States shall be increased above the levels previously authorized in connection with operations using the Inmarsat 3F4 satellite, as a result of the operations authorized by this STA.
- 2. Operations on the Inmarsat 4F2 satellite shall be on an unprotected basis. FTMSC shall not claim protection from, and is required to accept interference from, other lawfully operating satellites or radiocommunication systems.
- 3. Operations are permitted on those frequencies previously used for authorized U.S. MET operations on the Inmarsat 3F4 satellite, except that operations are not permitted on certain frequencies, made available to Inmarsat by MSV USA and MSV Canada as part of the operator-to-operator coordination process, the use of which is currently an issue pending in connection with FTMSC's request for regular authority.
- 4. Adequate guard bands shall be provided between the band edges of the carriers used by FTMSC and the band edges of MSV's operations in order to preclude the possibility of unacceptable interference to MSV's operations.
- 5. Any action taken or expense incurred as a result of operations pursuant to this special temporary authority is solely at FTMSC's own risk.
- 6. The grant of this STA is not based on a finding that Inmarsat's L-band operations are consistent with operation on a non-interference basis.
- 7. The grant of this STA is without prejudice to any future determination that the Commission may make as to whether Inmarsat's L-band operations are consistent with operation on a non-interference basis.
- 8. This STA may be terminated or modified at the International Bureau's discretion, without a hearing, if conditions warrant.
- 9. FTMSC must notify each customer, in writing and prior to initiation of service, that BGAN operations on the Inmarsat 4F2 satellite are pursuant to a grant of special temporary authority that may be terminated or modified at any time.
- 10. Authority granted in this STA is without prejudice to the disposition of any related applications for regular authority.

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- 11. This grant is issued pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261, and is effective immediately.
- 12. FTMSC is afforded thirty days from the date of release of this action to decline this special temporary authorization as conditioned. Failure to respond within this period will constitute formal acceptance of the special temporary authorization as conditioned.

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# **DESCRIPTION OF STA REQUEST**

FTMSC US, LLC ("FTMSC") hereby respectfully requests a new Special Temporary Authority ("STA") for 60 days to provide Inmarsat's Broadband Global Area Network ("BGAN") service due to a proposed transfer of control of FTMSC to MobSat S.A.S. ("MobSat"). Applicant respectfully requests grant of STA authority no later than October 17, 2006.

### I. INTRODUCTION

FTMSC is currently providing BGAN services in the United States pursuant to STA authority. France Télécom S.A. ("France Telecom"), the ultimate parent company of FTMSC, entered into a Share Purchase Agreement ("SPA") with MobSat whereby France Telecom will transfer indirect control of FTMSC to MobSat. FTMSC amended its permanent applications for Title II and Title III authority to provide BGAN services due to the proposed transaction.<sup>3</sup>

France Telecom and MobSat are ready to consummate the proposed transaction. As such, FTMSC seeks a new STA authority to provide BGAN services considering its ownership

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Special Temporary Authority, ITC-STA-20060314-00158 and SES-STA-20060314-00438 (Granted May 12, 2006).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See FTMSC US, LLC Amendment to Application for Section 214 Authorization, File No. ITC-AMD-20060804-00388 (filed Aug. 4, 2006), and FTMSC US, LLC Amendment to Title III Application for Authority, File No. SES-AMD-20060804-01315 (filed Aug. 4, 2006)("Amendment to Application for Title III Authority").

information under the proposed transfer of control as provided in its amended applications.<sup>4</sup> The parties intend to close the transaction on October 31, 2006. Because grant of this STA is a condition to closing, FTMSC respectfully requests that this STA be granted no later than October 17, 2006, for a minimum of 60 days. FTMSC hereby agrees to continue to comply with all conditions contained in its original STA for BGAN Authority, dated May 12, 2006.<sup>5</sup> Further, FTMSC hereby incorporates by reference all pleadings, comments, and oppositions filed by any parties under the following File Numbers: ITC-STA-20060314-00158 and SES-STA-20060314-00438.

As demonstrated below, grant of this STA is clearly in the public interest. It will allow the proposed transaction to consummate, and permit FTMSC to continue to provide Inmarsat's BGAN service in the United States while the International Bureau ("Bureau") considers the underlying Application for permanent Title III Authority.

### II. PENDING BGAN APPLICATION

FTMSC's permanent Application for Title III Authority is currently pending before the Commission. FTMSC hereby incorporates by reference its Application for Title III Authority,

⁴ Id.

See above at n.1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See FTMSC US, LLC Application for Blanket License for 20,000 Mobile Earth Terminals to Provide BGAN Services in United States Using Inmarsat 4F2 Satellite, File No. SES-LFS-20051011-01396 (Oct. 11, 2005)("Application for Title III Authority").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Id.* Concurrently with this STA request, FTMSC is also filing an application for STA under Title II to provide BGAN service in the United States. FTMSC's permanent Application for Section 214 Authority is currently pending before the Commission. *See* FTMSC US, LLC Section 214 Application to provide BGAN service via the Inmarsat 4F2 satellite, File No. ITC-214-20051012-00406 (Oct. 11, 2005).

and all amendments and supplements, for purposes of this STA request. Specifically, this STA request incorporates the Amendment to Application for Title III Authority, filed August 4, 2006, regarding FTMSC's proposed transfer of control to MobSat.<sup>8</sup> This Amendment was placed on Public Notice on August 16, 2006.<sup>9</sup> No parties filed comments opposing the proposed transaction.

### III. PUBLIC INTEREST

Grant of this STA request is clearly in the public interest. It will allow the proposed transaction to close. This will provide FTMSC with additional capital investment allowing it to expand its operations, and will result in increased competition for wireless broadband services in the United States. Further, promoting the expansion of wireless broadband services in the United States is clearly in the public interest. FTMSC's BGAN services offer advanced wireless broadband services to rural and remote users, as well as to first responders and disaster management personnel.

FTMSC understands that grant of this requested STA will be without prejudice to and will be conditioned upon the Bureau's action on FTMSC's Application for Title III Authority. Further, FTMSC hereby agrees to operate subject to the conditions contained in its original BGAN STA.<sup>10</sup> Further, FTMSC hereby incorporates by reference all pleadings, comments, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> See above at n.3. See also Supplemental Information of FTMSC US, LLC, File No. ITC-AMD-20060804-00388 (Sept. 7, 2006).

In Re Satellite Communications Services Re: Satellite Radio Applications Accepted for Filing, Public Notice, Report No. SES-00846 (Aug. 16, 2006).

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# III. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, FTMSC respectfully requests that this STA be granted no later than October 17, 2006.

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Christine L. Zepka, hereby certify that on this 6th day of October, 2006, I caused to be served a true copy of the foregoing Request for Special Temporary Authority by first class mail, postage pre-paid (or as otherwise indicated) upon the following:

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