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BY HAND DELIVERY

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

Re: SES Americom Inc.

File Nos. SES-STA-20061211-02123/02124/02126/02127/02128

Dear Ms. Dortch:

SES Americom, Inc. ("SES Americom") has filed the above-referenced applications for special temporary authority ("STA") to communicate with the Gibraltar-licensed AMC-18 spacecraft for a short period at 81° W.L. The STAs relate to a service evaluation of triple-feed satellite dishes to enhance distribution of IPTV video programming to rural video customers.

SES Americom submits that it would be in the public interest for the Commission to classify this proceeding as governed by the permit-but-disclose *ex parte* procedures that are applicable to non-restricted proceedings under Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206). SES Americom requests that the Commission adopt this classification by notice to the parties, and is providing a copy of this proposal to the Comisión Nacional de Comunicaciones of the Republic of Argentina by e-mail as noted below. This process will serve the public interest by facilitating the development of a complete record upon which a well-reasoned decision can be made.

Respectfully submitted,

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