Exhibit A

HNS License Sub, LLC Call Sign E000166 Special Temporary Authority January 2010

Description

HNS License Sub, LLC ("Hughes"), pursuant to Section 25.120(b)(3) of the Commission's Rules, hereby requests that the Commission extend for a further 60 days its Special Temporary Authority, File No. SES-STA-20080702-00875 ("Initial STA"), as extended most recently in File No. SES-STA-20091118-01474 ("November Extension"), to operate Hub H on its VSAT network earth station license, Call Sign E000166, on frequencies that are different from those specified in Hughes's April 2007 modification of license application in File No. SES-MFS-20070419-00489.

The Initial STA was necessitated by the fact that an issue with the condition of the Intelsat Galaxy 26 satellite with which Hub H operates required Hughes to change the frequencies that were assigned exclusively for Hughes's use while the issue was resolved by Intelsat. Hughes emphasized that only the specific frequencies to which it has exclusive access were being adjusted (and were subject to further adjustment); the amount of spectrum Hughes will be using on Hub H to access Galaxy 26 on an interim basis will not exceed the amount of spectrum Hughes requested in the April 2007 modification of license application, and Hughes understands that there will be no changes in the technical operating parameters of the antenna – either in terms of pointing or power – that extend beyond the limits of the Hughes's licenses for the Hub H antenna. *See* Hughes April 2007 Modification Application, File No. SES-MFS-20070419-00489, at Exhibit A.

The situation with respect to access to Galaxy 26 has now stabilized, and Hughes has prepared a modification of license application to reflect the reassigned frequencies on the Hub H. At this time, however, Hughes is still working with Intelsat to finalize an updated coordination letter that pertains to the revised frequency assignments. Hughes intends to file the application as soon as the updated coordination letter has been signed. Until the forthcoming modification application is acted upon, Hughes will require an additional extension of the STA – for a period of 60 days, or until March 18, 2010 – to continue operating its Hub H antenna with the Galaxy 26 satellite on the modified frequencies.

Hughes reiterates that all frequencies it uses between the Hub H antenna and Galaxy 26 are available for its exclusive use pursuant to the contract with Intelsat Global Services

Corporation that was referenced in the April 2007 modification application. Hughes also confirms that there are no changes to the Hub H operating parameters other than the frequency assignments.

For all of the foregoing reasons, Hughes respectfully requests that the Commission grant this request for extension of its Special Temporary Authority for a period of 60 days, commencing January 17, 2010.