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APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 25.120 of the Commission's rules, VSAT Systems, LLC ("VSAT Systems") hereby requests Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to add operations on Telstar 11N, make related modifications necessary for communications with Telstar 11N and add emissions designators. VSAT has been advised by Space Systems/Loral that Telstar 14 is reaching end-of-life and VSAT needs to migrate its operations to a new satellite. The requested modified technical parameters of the network are identified in an application for modification filed May 18, 2010. The Reference File No. is SES-MOD-INTR2010-01580 and a copy of the application is attached hereto.

VSAT Systems provides broadband Internet and data services, via satellite, to non-profit and charitable organizations, tribal entities, businesses, public safety and homeland security agencies, and other government users. Many of these users are located in rural and under-served areas and would not otherwise have access to affordable broadband service. In addition to Internet connectivity, VSAT Systems provides private network services (*e.g.*, pipeline monitor and control capabilities) critical to maintaining our national energy infrastructure. Other users rely on the network for emergency and back-up operations.

Pursuant to Section 1.3 of the Commission's rules, VSAT Systems requests a waiver of Sections 25.102 and 25.120(a) and such other Commission rules as may be necessary to permit grant of the requested STA and operations on Telstar 11N, including the technical parameters identified on the attached application. VSAT needs to ensure that its customers are migrated to Telstar 11N in a timely fashion, with minimal disruption, prior to the failure of Telstar 14. VSAT Systems submits that the STA is necessary to service the public interest and, without it, the public interest would be seriously prejudiced. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 25.120(b)(1).

As described above, continued service on the VSAT Systems network is vital to its users, particularly those engaged in public safety, homeland security and emergency response. Accordingly, VSAT Systems respectfully requests the expeditious grant of this STA.