

July 1, 2010

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554



Re: Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority for Clarksburg, Maryland Earth Station, Call Sign: KA275

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat North America LLC (“Intelsat”) herein requests an additional day, from June 30, 2010 through July 1, 2010, of the Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)¹ previously granted Intelsat to use its Clarksburg, Maryland C-band earth station (call sign KA275) to communicate with the Galaxy 15 satellite (call sign S2387).²

As the Commission is aware, on April 5, 2010, the Galaxy 15 satellite suffered an anomaly of unknown origin. Due to this anomaly, the satellite has drifted outside of its authorized +/- 0.05° East/West station-keeping box pursuant to STA.³ Intelsat will utilize the transmissions contemplated herein in an attempt to disable the communications payload on the Galaxy 15 satellite. The technical information from the previously granted STA is incorporated herein by reference.⁴

¹ Intelsat has filed this STA request, an FCC Form 159 and a filing fee electronically via the International Bureau’s Filing System. This request for STA is related to a verbal grant of STA provided by the FCC on June 30, 2010, for operations through July 3, 2010. Intelsat ceased the G15 tests using the KA275 earth station at 11:15utc (7:15am EST) on July 1, 2010 and thus the requested authorization period is shorter than the originally anticipated.

² See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-01257, File No. SES-STA-20100616-00708 (June 30, 2010) (Public Notice).

³ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00682, File No. SAT-STA-20100409-00071 (Apr. 16, 2010) (Public Notice); *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-00698, File No. SAT-STA-20100601-00118 (Jun. 11, 2010) (Public Notice).

⁴ See *Intelsat North America LLC Request for Special Temporary Authority Clarksburg, Maryland Earth Station KA275*, File No. SES-STA-20100616-00708 (June 16, 2010).

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Grant of this STA request will allow Intelsat to again attempt to disable the communications payload on the Galaxy 15 satellite. If such an attempt to disable the communications payload is successful, it will greatly reduce the likelihood of Galaxy 15 causing potential interference into the operations of other satellites, thereby promoting the public interest.

Intelsat agrees to accept the following condition, which was included in Intelsat's previous grant of special temporary authority to use the KA275 earth station in an attempt to disable the Galaxy 15 satellite's communications payload.⁵

All operations shall be on an unprotected and non-harmful interference basis, i.e. Intelsat North America LLC, shall not cause harmful interference to, and shall not claim protection from, interference caused to it by any other lawfully operating station and it shall cease transmission(s) immediately upon notice of such interference.

For the reasons set forth herein, Intelsat respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant this request.

Sincerely,

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⁵ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-01241, File No. SES-STA-20100423-00473 (May 5, 2010) (Public Notice).