

July 8, 2010

System Analysis Branch Satellite Division International Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for extension of Special Temporary Authority SES-STA-20100621-00724, Frontier Drilling USA, Inc.

Pursuant to Section 25.120(b) of the Rules and Regulations ("Regulations") of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), Frontier Drilling USA, Inc. ("Frontier") seeks Commission consideration to extend the above-captioned Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to operate a fixed antenna on board the Seilian FPSO (Floating Production Storage and Offloading) for purposes of recovering spilled oil in the Gulf of Mexico as caused by the explosion of the Deepwater Horizon rig.

According to Section 25.120(b)(1) of the Regulations, "the Commission may grant a temporary authorization only upon a finding that there are extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary operations in the public interest and that delay in the institution of these temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest." In this case, recovering spilled oil from the surface and below the surface of the Gulf of Mexico is an extraordinary circumstance requiring temporary operations in the public interest. Furthermore, delaying this operation would seriously injure the public interest.

Pursuant to Section 25.120(b)(4) of the Regulations, the Commission may grant temporary authorization for a period not to exceed 30 days, if the STA request has not been placed on public notice, and an application for regular authority is not contemplated. Because of the temporary nature of the operations, Frontier does not plan to file an application for permanent authority. However, Frontier plans to file an application for a 6-month STA, after frequency coordination is completed. The frequency coordination is due to be completed after the expiration of the current STA. Therefore, it is necessary to extend the current STA for other 30-days. The planned satellite is Intelsat 14 (45.0 degrees West).

The requested date for prior use is <u>July 24, 2010</u>. In accordance to Section 25.120(a) of the Regulations, this STA is being filed at least 3 working days prior to the date of proposed operation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Raul Magallanes

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