

WB Holdings 1 LLC
Request for Extension of STA
SES-STA-20110427-00519
SES-STA-20110427-00520

Description of STA Extension Request

WB Holdings 1 LLC (“WildBlue”) hereby requests an extension of special temporary authority (“STA”) to operate its licensed earth station facilities in Cheyenne, Wyoming (E010151) and Nuevo, California (E040213) at an increased maximum transmit symbol rate of 30 MBd using an emission designation of 30M0G7W, during the pendency of the license application for full authority to operate using these parameters. *See* FCC File Nos. SES-MOD-20110505-00556; SES-MOD-20110505-00555. WildBlue filed the modification applications on May 5, 2011, and these applications were accepted for filing and placed on public notice on August 3, 2011. *See* Public Notice, Report No. SES-01369 (Aug. 3, 2011).

On June 14, 2011, the Commission granted to WildBlue STA to operate at the increased symbol rate in order to allow more efficient use of spectrum on the WildBlue-1 and Anik F2 satellites by existing WildBlue customers, while these satellites are also being used to conduct tests of the ViaSat-1 ground network. *See* File Nos. SES-STA-20110427-00519; SES-STA-20110427-00520. These STAs expire on August 12, 2011. Testing of the ViaSat-1 ground network using the WildBlue satellites will continue until the launch and operation of ViaSat-1, which is scheduled for the fall of this year. Therefore, an extension of each of these STAs is necessary. WildBlue requests an extension of these STAs for an additional 60-day period to continue the modified operations until the Commission can act on the underlying license modification applications.