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



Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority Hagerstown, Maryland Earth Station KA258

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat") herein requests a grant of Special Temporary Authority ("STA")¹ for 30 days, from May 20, 2012 through June 18, 2012, to use its Hagerstown, Maryland Ku-band earth station -- call sign KA258² -- to provide launch and early orbit phase ("LEOP") services for the Intelsat 19 satellite that is expected to be launched on May 20, 2012.³ The LEOP period is expected to last approximately ten days.⁴

The Intelsat 19 LEOP operations will be performed in the following frequency bands: 14000.5 MHz and 14003.0 MHz in the uplink (LHCP), and 12253.5 MHz, 12254.0 MHz, 12256.0 MHz, and 12256.5 MHz in the downlink (LHCP). The maximum uplink EIRP transmitted during the LEOP operations will be 85 dBW, with an emission designator of 800KF2D. The LEOP

¹ Intelsat has filed its STA request, an FCC Form 159, a \$180.00 filing fee and this supporting letter electronically via the International Bureau's Filing System ("IBFS").

² Intelsat currently is operating earth station KA258 at Hagerstown under Special Temporary Authority pending grant of a permanent modification application for a change in the antenna's location. *See Intelsat License LLC Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority*, File No. SES-STA-20120320-00284 (filed Mar. 20, 2012); *Intelsat License LLC Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority*, File No. SES-STA-20120221-00186 (filed Feb. 21, 2012); *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-01421, File No. SES-STA-20120118-00067 (Feb. 1, 2012) (Public Notice).

The permanent orbital location for Intelsat 19 will be 166.0° E.L. See Policy Branch Information; Satellite Space Applications Accepted for Filing, Report No. SAT-00843, File No. SAT-RPL-20111222-00245 (Feb. 10, 2012) (Public Notice). The in-orbit testing location will be 176.0° E.L. See Intelsat License LLC Request for Temporary Authority, File No. SAT-STA-20120306-00037 (filed Mar. 6, 2012).

⁴ Intelsat is seeking authority through June 18, 2012 to accommodate a possible launch delay.

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operations will be coordinated with all operators of satellites that use the same frequency bands and are in the LEOP path. As such, there would be no risk of interference with respect to lawfully operating, co-frequency radiocommunication facilities. Nevertheless, all operators of satellites in that path will be provided with an emergency phone number where the licensee can be reached in the event that harmful interference occurs.

The 24x7 contact information for the Intelsat 19 LEOP mission is as follows:

Ph.: (202) 944-7701 – East Coast Operations Center (primary) (310) 525-5900 – West Coast Operations Center (back-up) Request to speak with Harry Burnham or Kevin Bell.

The above information indicates that the operation of the earth station will be compatible with its electromagnetic environment and will not cause harmful interference into any lawfully operating terrestrial or government facility. In the extremely unlikely event that harmful interference should occur due to transmissions to or from its earth station, Intelsat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate the interference.

Grant of this STA request will allow Intelsat to help launch the Intelsat 19 satellite to the 166.0° E.L. location. This, in turn, will help ensure continuity of service at that location and thereby promotes the public interest.

Please direct any questions regarding this STA request to the undersigned at (202) 944-7848.

Respectfully submitted,

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Cc: Paul Blais