May 8, 2012

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



Re: Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority Hagerstown, Maryland Ku-band Earth Station E030051

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat") herein requests an additional 30 days – from May 13, 2012 through June 11, 2012 – of the Special Temporary Authority ("STA")¹ previously granted Intelsat to utilize its Hagerstown, Maryland Kuband earth station to communicate in the frequency bands 13.75-14.0 GHz (uplink) and 10.95-11.2 GHz and 11.45-12.2 GHz (downlink) with the U.S.-licensed Telstar 11N satellite at 37.5° W.L.²

In support of this extension request, Intelsat incorporates by reference the exhibits submitted with its original STA request, which contain information showing that the operation of the earth station will be compatible with its electromagnetic environment and will not cause harmful interference into any lawfully operating facility. In the extremely unlikely event that harmful interference should occur, Intelsat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate the interference.

Intelsat seeks this STA extension request because a U.S. Government customer's permanent antenna is not yet ready for service.³ Grant of this STA extension request will enable Intelsat to continue earth station transition operations for this customer until the permanent antenna is ready for service, thereby serving the public interest.

¹ Intelsat has filed this 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 See Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken, Report No. SES-01443, File No. SES-STA-20120405-00338 (Apr. 25, 2012) (Public Notice).

³ Intelsat has a pending 180-day STA request to allow for temporary use of earth station E030051 for the six months it is expected to take until the customer's permanent antenna is ready for service. *See Satellite Communications Services; Satellite Radio Applications Accepted for Filing*, Report No. SES-01444, File No. SES-STA-20120405-00339 (Apr. 25, 2012) (Public Notice).

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

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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Paul Blais