

EXHIBIT A – REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

NewCom International (“NewCom”), pursuant to section 25.120 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC’s” or “Commission’s”) Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.120, hereby requests an extension of its Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to operate a transmit/receive C-band satellite earth station in Miami, Florida, communicating with the Express AM44 (“AM44”) satellite on a non-common carrier basis. Specifically, NewCom International, Inc (“NewCom”) seeks to continue communicating with the AM44 using an already authorized Andrew Corp. 7.3 meter antenna (“7.3a”) operated under Call Sign E040267. STA extension is sought for a period of 30 days.

On September 24, 2012, the Commission granted a 30 day STA (SES-STA-20120629-00623) permitting NewCom to communicate with the AM44, a Russian licensed satellite positioned at 11.0 degrees west longitude in the geostationary arc. This STA expires on October 23. NewCom anticipates filing a permanent application in the immediate future to add the AM44 as a point of communication for Call Sign E040267, but has not yet received certain requisite information from third parties necessary to complete the permanent application and/or complementary technical exhibits.

With regard to this request for STA extension, NewCom seeks identical authority to that already granted under SES-STA-20120629-00623. No changes to the earth station’s technical parameters are requested, and NewCom will continue to uplink and downlink in the same frequencies. Specifically, NewCom will operate earth-to-space exclusively on frequencies within 6030-6070 MHz and 6330-6370 MHz, and operate space-to-earth exclusively on frequencies within 3705-3745 MHz and 4005-4045 MHz.

Grant of this request for STA will serve the public interest by allowing NewCom to continue providing lifeline communications to underserved parts of the world, including the provision of telemedicine applications and Internet backbone access to remote customer stations in Africa and Latin America. As previously explained, in many instances the aforementioned end users have communicated with the circular polarized C-band Intersputnik satellite that has historically populated the 11 West Longitude position in the geostationary arc for many years. Given that these end users generally lack the resources to construct new earth station facilities, and are without access to competitively priced alternative circular polarized C-band satellites, the AM44 is the only viable transmission medium for lifeline services. Were NewCom unable to serve these customers using the AM44, many critical services would be disrupted, including applications used by humanitarian agencies, hospitals, schools, heavy industry and the financial community.

NewCom understands that fixed satellite service downlink operations in the 3650-3700 MHz band are permitted only on a secondary basis, and that terrestrial services licensed under Part 90 of the Commission’s rules have priority in the 3650-3700 MHz band. NewCom agrees to accept interference from the aforementioned higher priority, terrestrial spectrum users.

NewCom recognizes that any authority granted pursuant to this request is subject to cancellation or modification upon notice, but without a hearing.