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## VIA IBFS

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: File No. SES-STA-20130610-00481

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Hispamar Satelites, S.A. ("Hispamar") hereby offers its support for the above-referenced application of Media Networks Services USA Inc. ("MN USA") for special temporary authority to operate a transmit/receive Ka-band satellite earth station in Laredo, Texas in communication with the Hispamar Amazonas-3 satellite at the 61° W.L. orbital location for a period of 60 days. Grant of this STA will facilitate testing and allow the Amazonas-3 satellite to commence commercial service over the USA.

The Amazonas-3 satellite was launched on February 7, 2013 and is currently operational at the 61° W.L. orbital location. Amazonas-3 is licensed pursuant to Brazilian authority and ANATEL has submitted the requisite ITU coordination documentation to demonstrate that the satellite operates on a non-interference basis. The FCC has previously reviewed Hispamar's legal qualifications to serve the U.S. market and included Amazonas-3 on the Permitted List for the C- and Ku-bands. Hispamar's request for inclusion of Amazonas-3 on the Permitted List for the Kaband is currently pending. <sup>2</sup>

See Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken, Report No. SAT-00936, File No. SAT-PPL-20121018-00183 (Mar. 15, 2013) (Public Notice).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Hispamar Satelites, S.A. Modified Petition for Declaratory Ruling to Add Amazonas-3 to the Ka-band Permitted Space Station List, File No. SAT-MPL-20130321-00050 (filed March 21, 2013).



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Grant of MN USA's application will advance the public interest. The request made by MN USA will ensure successful communications from the Laredo, Texas earth station to Amazonas-3 for testing and for the commencement of commercial service over the USA. That commercial service will bring new capacity to end-users and promote competition in the provision of Ka-band satellite services. Therefore, Hispamar urges the Commission to grant MN USA's earth station STA request.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Jennifer D. Hindin

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