

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

On August 12, 2013, the International Bureau granted the request filed by O3b Limited (“O3b”) for special temporary authority (“STA”) to conduct tests at a facility in Melbourne, Florida, of up to three 2.2m earth stations on vessels (“ESVs”).¹ O3b most recently submitted a request seeking extension of its STA through November 10, 2013.² O3b, pursuant to Section 25.120 of the Commission’s rules,³ hereby requests a further extension of its STA covering the 180-day period between November 11, 2013, and May 9, 2014.⁴

O3b’s extension request is supported by good cause. An extension will enable O3b to continue its testing so that it may establish performance standards and operational requirements for its ESVs. By granting O3b’s initial STA request, the Bureau already has found that facilitating these activities is in the public interest.

Accordingly, and for good cause shown, O3b respectfully requests that its STA extension request be granted.

¹ FCC File No. SES-STA-20130620-00515, extended under File No. SES-STA-20130903-00773.

² See IBFS Application Submission ID IB2013002165.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 25.120.

⁴ O3b’s STA extension request is independent of its separately-filed application for a license to operate ESVs (File No. SES-LIC-20130528-00455), and O3b acknowledges that action on its STA extension request is without prejudice to Commission action on its ESV license application.