


APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

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STA for C-band ESV Antenna Jack St. Malo

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File # SES-STA-20131112-00966
Call Sign 980235 Grant Date 11-26-13
(or other identifier) Term Dates
From 11-1-13 To 11-31-13
Approved [Signature]



GUARANTEED
International Bureau

Applicant: Stratos Offshore Services Company
Call Sign: E980235
File No: SES-STA-20131112-00966
Special Temporary Authority (STA)

1. Operations under this STA shall not cause harmful interference to, and shall not claim protection from, interference caused to it by any other lawfully operating station and it shall cease transmission(s) immediately upon notice of such interference.
2. Grant of this STA is without prejudice to any determination that the Commission may make regarding other pending applications, e.g., IBFS File Nos. SES-MOD-20131112-00965 or future STA requests.
3. Any action taken or expense incurred as a result of operations pursuant to this STA is solely at Stratos Offshore Services Company's risk.
4. This action is issued pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 C.F.R. §0.261, and is effective immediately.

 GRANTED International Bureau	File # <u>SES-STA 20131112-00966</u>
	Call Sign <u>E980235</u>
	Grant Date <u>11-26-13</u>
	Term Dates <u>12-1-13</u> To: <u>12-31-13</u>
	Approver: <u>[Signature]</u>

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(If your application is related to an application filed with the Commission, enter either the file number or the IB Submission ID of the related application. Please enter only one.)

3. Reference File Number or Submission ID IB2013002587

4a. Is a fee submitted with this application?

If Yes, complete and attach FCC Form 159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114).

Governmental Entity Noncommercial educational licensee

Other (please explain):

4b. Fee Classification CGV - Fixed Satellite VSAT System

5. Type Request

Use Prior to Grant Change Station Location Other

6. Requested Use Prior Date
12/01/2013

7. City Gulf of Mexico 8. Latitude
(dd mm ss.s h) 26 15 0.0 N

9. State	10. Longitude (dd mm ss.s h) 91 27 36.0 W
11. Please supply any need attachments. Attachment 1: STA Request Attachment 2: Coordination Report Attachment 3:	
12. Description. (If the complete description does not appear in this box, please go to the end of the form to view it in its entirety.) <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; min-height: 100px;">See attachments.</div>	
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14. Name of Person Signing Bruce Henoch	15. Title of Person Signing General Counsel
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FREQUENCY COORDINATION AND INTERFERENCE ANALYSIS REPORT

Prepared for

Inmarsat
Jack St. Malo, Gulf of Mexico
(Oil Platform)

Satellite Earth Station

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1. CONCLUSIONS

An interference study considering all existing, proposed and prior coordinated microwave facilities within the coordination contours of the proposed earth station demonstrates that this site will operate satisfactorily with the common carrier microwave environment. Further, there will be no restrictions of its operation due to interference considerations.

2. SUMMARY OF RESULTS

A number of great circle interference cases were identified during the interference study of the proposed earth station. Each of the cases, which exceeded the interference objective on a line-of-sight basis, was profiled and the propagation losses estimated using NBS TN101 (Revised) techniques. The losses were found to be sufficient to reduce the signal levels to acceptable magnitudes in every case.

The following companies reported potential great circle interference conflicts that did not meet the objectives on a line-of-sight basis. When over-the-horizon losses are considered on the interfering paths, sufficient blockage exists to negate harmful interference from occurring with the proposed transmit-receive earth station.

Company

None

No carriers reported potential interference cases.

3. SUPPLEMENTAL SHOWING

Pursuant to Part 25.203(c) of the FCC Rules and Regulations, the satellite earth station proposed in this application was coordinated by Comsearch using computer techniques and in accordance with Part 25 of the FCC Rules and Regulations.

Expedited coordination data for this earth station was emailed and sent to the below listed carriers with a letter dated October 31, 2013.

Company

Comsearch

4. EARTH STATION COORDINATION DATA

This section presents the data pertinent to frequency coordination of the proposed earth station that was circulated to all carriers within its coordination contours.

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Earth Station Data Sheet

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Date: 11/05/2013
Job Number: 131031COMSJC07

Administrative Information

Status ENGINEER PROPOSAL
Call Sign
Licensee Code INMSAT
Licensee Name Inmarsat

Site Information JACK ST. MALO, GULF of MEXICO

Venue Name
Latitude (NAD 83) 26° 15' 0.0" N
Longitude (NAD 83) 91° 27' 36.0" W
Climate Zone B
Rain Zone 1
Ground Elevation (AMSL) 0.0 m / 0.0 ft

Link Information

Satellite Type Geostationary
Mode TR - Transmit-Receive
Modulation Digital
Satellite Arc 32° W to 139° West Longitude
Azimuth Range 104.6° to 248.0°
Corresponding Elevation Angles 18.9° / 29.7°
Antenna Centerline (AGL) 44.0 m / 144.4 ft

Antenna Information

Receive

Transmit

Manufacturer	Sea Tel	Sea Tel
Model	9797	9797
Gain / Diameter	38.5 dBi / 2.4 m	41.7 dBi / 2.4 m
3-dB / 15-dB Beamwidth	2.04° / 3.80°	1.40° / 2.64°

1M03G7W to 3M41G7W

Max Available RF Power	(dBW/4 kHz)	-9.3	-14.5		
	(dBW/MHz)	14.7	9.5		
Maximum EIRP	(dBW/4 kHz)	32.4	27.2		
	(dBW/MHz)	56.4	51.2		
	(dBW)	56.5	56.5		
Interference Objectives:	Long Term	-156.0 dBW/MHz	20%	-154.0 dBW/4 kHz	20%
	Short Term	-146.0 dBW/MHz	0.01%	-131.0 dBW/4 kHz	0.0025%

Frequency Information

Receive 4.0 GHz

Transmit 6.1 GHz

Emission / Frequency Range (MHz)	1M03G7W - 3M41G7W / 3700.0 - 4200.0	1M03G7W - 3M41G7W / 5925.0 - 6425.0
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Max Great Circle Coordination Distance	558.1 km / 346.7 mi	221.5 km / 137.6 mi
Precipitation Scatter Contour Radius	583.2 km / 362.3 mi	100.0 km / 62.1 mi

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Coordination Values

JACK ST. MALO, GM

Licensee Name	Inmarsat		
Latitude (NAD 83)	26° 15' 0.0" N		
Longitude (NAD 83)	91° 27' 36.0" W		
Ground Elevation (AMSL)	0.0 m / 0.0 ft		
Antenna Centerline (AGL)	44.0 m / 144.4 ft		
Antenna Model	Sea Tel 9797		
Antenna Mode	Receive 4.0 GHz		Transmit 6.1 GHz
Interference Objectives: Long Term	-156.0 dBW/MHz	20%	-154.0 dBW/4 kHz 20%
Short Term	-146.0 dBW/MHz	0.01%	-131.0 dBW/4 kHz 0.0025%
Max Available RF Power			-9.3 (dBW/4 kHz)

Azimuth (°)	Horizon Elevation (°)	Antenna Discrimination (°)	Receive 4.0 GHz		Transmit 6.1 GHz	
			Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)	Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)
0	0.00	103.82	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
5	0.00	99.10	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
10	0.00	94.38	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
15	0.00	89.65	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
20	0.00	84.92	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
25	0.00	80.19	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
30	0.00	75.47	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
35	0.00	70.77	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
40	0.00	66.08	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
45	0.00	61.42	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
50	0.00	56.79	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
55	0.00	52.20	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
60	0.00	47.67	-9.96	412.74	-9.96	166.31
65	0.00	43.22	-8.89	426.19	-8.89	171.38
70	0.00	38.87	-7.74	441.24	-7.74	177.07
75	0.00	34.67	-6.50	458.08	-6.50	183.44
80	0.00	30.67	-5.17	476.17	-5.17	190.53
85	0.00	26.98	-3.77	496.64	-3.77	198.65
90	0.00	23.72	-2.38	518.02	-2.38	206.66
95	0.00	21.12	-1.12	538.11	-1.12	214.13
100	0.00	19.42	-0.21	553.00	-0.21	219.63
105	0.00	18.89	0.09	558.06	0.09	221.49
110	0.00	19.61	-0.31	551.30	-0.31	219.00
115	0.00	21.46	-1.29	535.33	-1.29	213.10
120	0.00	24.17	-2.58	514.84	-2.58	205.47
125	0.00	27.50	-3.98	493.50	-3.98	197.46
130	0.00	31.25	-5.37	473.26	-5.37	189.43
135	0.00	35.28	-6.69	455.48	-6.69	182.46
140	0.00	39.28	-7.85	439.73	-7.85	176.50
145	0.00	43.12	-8.87	426.50	-8.87	171.50
150	0.00	46.76	-9.75	415.34	-9.75	167.29
155	0.00	50.13	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
160	0.00	53.14	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
165	0.00	55.69	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
170	0.00	57.65	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
175	0.00	58.90	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
180	0.00	59.33	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
185	0.00	58.90	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11

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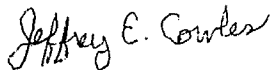
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			Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)	Horizon Gain (dBi)	Coordination Distance (km)
190	0.00	57.65	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
195	0.00	55.69	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
200	0.00	53.14	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
205	0.00	50.13	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
210	0.00	46.76	-9.75	415.34	-9.75	167.29
215	0.00	43.22	-8.89	426.17	-8.89	171.38
220	0.00	39.91	-8.03	437.46	-8.03	175.64
225	0.00	36.90	-7.18	448.81	-7.18	179.93
230	0.00	34.29	-6.38	459.71	-6.38	184.06
235	0.00	32.18	-5.69	468.74	-5.69	187.72
240	0.00	30.67	-5.17	476.19	-5.17	190.54
245	0.00	29.85	-4.87	480.44	-4.87	192.15
250	0.00	29.78	-4.85	480.81	-4.85	192.29
255	0.00	30.46	-5.09	477.24	-5.09	190.94
260	0.00	31.85	-5.58	470.32	-5.58	188.31
265	0.00	33.86	-6.24	461.62	-6.24	184.78
270	0.00	36.38	-7.02	450.89	-7.02	180.72
275	0.00	39.32	-7.87	439.57	-7.87	176.44
280	0.00	42.59	-8.73	428.24	-8.73	172.16
285	0.00	46.11	-9.59	417.26	-9.59	168.01
290	0.00	49.83	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
295	0.00	53.71	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
300	0.00	57.71	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
305	0.00	61.80	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
310	0.00	65.97	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
315	0.00	70.19	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
320	0.00	74.46	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
325	0.00	78.76	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
330	0.00	83.09	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
335	0.00	87.43	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
340	0.00	91.77	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
345	0.00	96.11	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
350	0.00	100.43	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11
355	0.00	104.74	-10.00	412.20	-10.00	166.11

5. CERTIFICATION

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM THE TECHNICALLY QUALIFIED PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE FREQUENCY COORDINATION DATA CONTAINED IN THIS APPLICATION, THAT I AM FAMILIAR WITH PARTS 101 AND 25 OF THE FCC RULES AND REGULATIONS, THAT I HAVE EITHER PREPARED OR REVIEWED THE FREQUENCY COORDINATION DATA SUBMITTED WITH THIS APPLICATION, AND THAT IT IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.



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DATED: November 5, 2013

Request for Special Temporary Authority

Stratos Offshore Services Company (“Stratos”) requests special temporary authority (“STA”) to operate a Seatel 9797 ESV antenna in the 3.7-4.2 GHz and 5.925-6.425 GHz bands on the Chevron Jack St. Malo, a U.S.-flagged floating offshore drilling and production platform located in the Gulf of Mexico. The platform will be located more than 200 km from the baseline of the United States, and coordination has been completed to ensure that any U.S.-licensed fixed service offshore installations within 200 km of the oil platform site will be adequately protected. Included in this submission is a coordination report showing that there are no fixed service sites within 200 km of the area of operations of this ESV antenna location that will be affected by the proposed operations.

Stratos requests authority commencing on December 1, 2013 for a period of 60 days. Stratos has pending an application to modify license call sign E980235 seeking full authority for Seatel 9797 C-Band ESV antenna, along with the coordination notification for this deployment site. That application contains all of the relevant technical parameters and showings required by Section 25.221. The proposed ESV antenna operations comply with Section 25.221 of the Commission’s rules.

The Jack St. Malo deepwater drilling and production platform is a newly constructed vessel which will be towed from its current location in a shipyard near Corpus Christi, Texas, to its final location in international waters in the Gulf of Mexico. Towing of the platform will commence on or about November 18, 2013, and deployment at the operational location is expected on December 1, 2013. During the pre-deployment testing at the dock and during the tow to the final operational location, the Jack St. Malo will use a Ku Band VSAT antenna licensed under Stratos’s ESV license call sign E070114 for telemetry control and tracking of the vessel’s operations, as well as data communications.

However, Stratos and its customer have determined that Ku Band communications, which may be susceptible to rain fade outages in the harsh weather conditions present in the deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico region, do not provide a sufficient level of reliability for the telemetry, tracking and data communications from the vessel once it reaches its ultimate location. C Band operations, on the other hand, offer greater reliability than Ku Band operations in such an operating environment. The telemetry, tracking and data communications are critical for the safety of personnel and for reliable equipment control and environmental monitoring. Because the timing of deployment of the vessel coincides with hurricane season, there is greater risk of harsh weather conditions, and expedited authority for C Band operations is needed while the full license application is pending. Therefore, grant of the STA will facilitate safety and emergency communications upon the vessel’s arrival at the operational location. Thus, an STA is warranted and in the public interest in this case.

Because the proposed STA operations conform to the parameters in Section 25.221 for routine ESV operations and have been fully coordinated, any adjacent operations will be fully protected. Nevertheless, Stratos will make available a 24/7 point of contact in the event that any issues arise in connection with the operations under the requested STA. Personnel will be on duty at all times during the STA period and can be contacted at (800) 375-1562.