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## APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

APPLICANT INFORMATIONEnter a description of this application to identify it on the main menu: Request for STA Using Hagerstown, Maryland Earth Station KA258 to Provide LEOP Services for the Eutelsat 172B Satellite

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Application: Intelsat License LLC File No.: SES-STA-20170213-00154

File No.: SES-ST Call Sign: KA258

Special Temporary Authority

Intelsat License LLC is granted a special temporary authority for 180 days, under the following conditions, beginning April 25, 2017 to October 22, 2017, to operate its 14.2-meter fixed earth station antenna in Hagerstown, Maryland to provide launch and early orbit phase (LEOP) services and conduct telemetry, tracking, and command (TT&C) services during in-orbit testing (IOT) at 176° E.L. for the Eutelsat 172B satellite (licensed by France) to its final location at 172° E.L on the following center frequencies: 13750.60 MHz, 13753.60 MHz, 13999.50 MHz, 14002.50 MHz, 14496.80 MHz, and 14499.80 MHz (Earth-to-space), and 11200.60 MHz and 12250.10 MHz (space-to-Earth). Eutelsat 172B satellite is scheduled to launch on April 25, 2017.

- 1. Uplink (Earth-to-space) frequencies will be on 13750.60 MHz, 13753.60 MHz, 13999.50 MHz, 14002.50 MHz, 14496.80 MHz and 14499.80 MHz (CP) within the coordinated emission and power limits. The maximum EIRP shall not exceed 85 dBW per NTIA manual US 356.
- 2. Downlink (space-to-Earth) frequencies will be on 11200.60 MHz and 12250.10 MHz (CP).
- 3. All operators of satellites will be provided with an emergency phone number where the licensee can be reached in the event that harmful interference occurs, Currently the 24x7 contact information for the Eutelsat 172B mission is as follows: Ph.: (703) 559-7701 East Coast Operations Center (primary); (310) 525-5591 West Coast Operations Center (back-up). Request to speak with Harry Burnham or Kevin Bell.
- 4. All operations under this grant of special temporary authority shall be on an unprotected and non-harmful interference basis. Intelsat's, KA258, shall not cause harmful interference to, and shall not claim protection from interference caused to it by, any other lawfully operating radio communication system.
- 5. In the event of any harmful interference under this grant of special temporary authority, Intelsat License LLC, KA258, must cease operations immediately upon notification of such interference, and must inform the Commission, in writing, immediately of such an event.
- 6. Grant of this authorization is without prejudice to any determination that the Commission may make regarding pending or future Intelsat License LLC applications.
- 7. Any action taken or expense incurred as a result of operations pursuant to this special temporary authority is solely 'at Intelsat License LLC's risk.
- 8. 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.



February 10, 2017

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

Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority

Hagerstown, Maryland Earth Station KA258

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC ("Intelsat") herein requests a grant of Special Temporary Authority ("STA")<sup>1</sup> for 180 days, commencing April 25, 2017, to use its Hagerstown, Maryland Ku-band earth station—call sign KA258—to provide launch and early orbit phase ("LEOP") services and telemetry, tracking, and command ("TT&C") during in-orbit testing ("IOT") at 176° E.L. for the Eutelsat 172B satellite. Eutelsat 172B is expected to be launched on April 25, 2017.<sup>2</sup> Intelsat expects the LEOP and IOT periods to last approximately 200 days.<sup>3</sup>

The Eutelsat 172B LEOP and TT&C operations will be performed at the following frequencies: 13750.6 MHz, 13999.5 MHz, 14499.8 MHz, 13753.6 MHz, 14002.5 MHz, and 14496.8 MHz (CP) in the uplink; and 11200.6 MHz and 12250.1 MHz (CP) in the downlink. The LEOP operations will be coordinated with all operators of satellites that use the same frequency bands and are in the LEOP path. The TT&C operations at the IOT location will be coordinated with potentially affected adjacent operators. All operators potentially affected by either the drift or the TT&C operations at the IOT location will be provided with an emergency phone number where the licensee can be reached in the event that harmful interference occurs.

The 24x7 contact information for the Eutelsat 172B LEOP mission is as follows:

Ph.: (703) 559-7701 – East Coast Operations Center (primary) (310) 525-5591 – West Coast Operations Center (back-up)

Request to speak with Harry Burnham or Kevin Bell.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Intelsat has filed its STA request, an FCC Form 159, a \$200.00 filing fee, and this supporting letter electronically via the International Bureau's Filing System ("IBFS").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The in-orbit testing location for Eutelsat 172B, which Intelsat understands is licensed by France, will be at 176° E.L. The final location of Eutelsat 172B will be at 172° E.L.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Intelsat is seeking authority for 180 days to accommodate the longer orbit-raising time period required for an electric propulsion satellite.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Airbus, the manager of the Eutelsat 172B LEOP mission, will handle the coordination.

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In further support of this request, Intelsat herewith attaches Exhibits A and B, which contain a 13 GHz report and a waiver request. In the extremely unlikely event that harmful interference should occur due to transmissions to or from its earth station, Intelsat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate the interference.

Finally, Intelsat clarifies that during the Eutelsat 172B LEOP mission, Airbus will serve as the mission manager. Airbus will build and send the commands to the Intelsat antenna, which will process and execute the commands. Telemetry received by Intelsat will be forwarded to Airbus. Intelsat will perform the ranging sessions by sending a tone to the spacecraft periodically. Intelsat will remain in control of the baseband unit, RF equipment, and antenna.

Grant of this STA request will allow Intelsat to help launch and safely station-keep the Eutelsat 172B satellite at the IOT location. This, in turn, will help provide additional capacity from the 172° E.L. orbital location and thereby promotes the public interest.

Please direct any questions regarding this STA request to the undersigned at (703) 559-6949.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment 1: STA Request	Attachment 2: Exhibit A	Attachment 3: Exhibit B				
12. Description. (If the complete des	scription does not appear in this box, please go to	the end of the form to view it in its entirety.)				
Intelsat License LLC herein requests a grant of Special Temporary Authority for 180 days, commencing April 25, 2017, to use its Hagerstown, Maryland Ku-band earth station, call sign KA258 to provide launch and early orbit phase services and telemetry, tracking, and command during in-orbit testing at 176 E.L. for the Eutelsat 172B satellite. Eutelsat						
subject to a denial of Federal benefits of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, becau	certifies that neither applicant nor any other party that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 53 use of a conviction for possession or distribution on g of "party to the application" for thes	01 of the Anti-Drug Act of a controlled substance.				
14. Name of Person Signing Cynthia J. Grady	15. Title of Pers Regulatory C	son Signing Counsel, Intelsat Corporation				
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## 12. Description

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