

August 3, 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 KA261

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC (“Intelsat”) herein requests a grant of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)¹ for 60 days, commencing August 20, 2017, to use its Hagerstown, Maryland C-band earth station—call sign KA261—to provide communications services to Intelsat 9 (call sign S2380) at its permanent location of 29.5° W.L.² and Intelsat 901 (call sign S2405) at its permanent location of 18.0° W.L.³ Intelsat has a pending application to modify this antenna.⁴

The proposed operations will be performed at the following frequency band: 5925-6425 MHz.

In further support of this request, Intelsat incorporates its pending application,⁵ which includes technical information that demonstrates that the operation of the earth station will be compatible with its electromagnetic environment and will not cause harmful interference into any lawfully operating terrestrial facility.

The proposed operations will be consistent with Intelsat’s coordination agreements for the nominal 29.5° W.L. and 18.0° W.L., respectively. In the unlikely event that harmful interference occurs, Intelsat will take all necessary steps to eliminate the interference.

¹ 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”).

² See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01236, File No. SAT-MOD-20161110-00105 (May 5, 2017) (Public Notice).

³ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01199, File No. SAT-MOD-20160906-00088 (Nov. 4, 2016) (Public Notice).

⁴ See *Intelsat License LLC Modification of Hagerstown, Maryland Earth Station License, Call Sign KA261 to Add Intelsat 9 (S2380) as a Point of Communication*, File No. SES-MOD-INTR2017-02145 (filed Aug. 3, 2017).

⁵ *Id.*

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Grant of this STA request will allow Intelsat to provide additional customer services from the 29.5° W.L. and 18.0° W.L. orbital locations 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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