

COMSAT, Inc.

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to
Operate Santa Paula Teleport Ku-band Hub Antennas SAPA 15 and SAPA 41
While Application for Permanent Authorization is Pending

File Numbers SES-MFS-20200521-00554 and
SES-STA-20200618-00660

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COMSAT, Inc. (“COMSAT”) respectfully requests an extension, effective September 20, 2020 of the grant of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) permitting COMSAT to operate the Santa Paula Teleport Hub antennas, identified as SAPA 15 and SAPA 41, which are the subject of application for permanent authorization under file number SES-MFS-20200521-00554 while the Commission processes the application. The STA extension requested is for SAPA 15 to transmit and receive in the Extended and Standard Ku-band and SAPA 41 to receive in the Extended and Standard Ku-band and transmit in the Standard Ku-band to communicate with the following Satellites:

Eutelsat 174 A (S2610) at 174.0 E.L.
SES-11 (S2964) at 104.95 W.L.
Eutelsat 172 B (S3021) at 172 E.L.
Eutelsat 133 WA (S3031) at 132.85 W.L.

COMSAT’s Showing that the antennas comply with the Commission’s Rules is set forth in the pending Application and Exhibits to same which are hereby incorporated by reference. As detailed therein, all fully comply with all Commission Regulations and no waivers are needed or requested for operation of the antennas. Grant of this STA is in the public interest as customers served by COMSAT using SAPA 15 and SAPA 41 as the primary or back-up antenna(s) include U.S. Government agencies, a provider of contingency and dedicated link communications for major U.S. corporations, a provider of maritime services and an entity that supports international treaty compliance monitoring.

Accordingly, Comsat respectfully requests that the International Bureau grant the STA extension to be effective September 20, 2020 for a period of sixty (60) days. Operation of the antennas will be in full compliance with the Commission’s Rules as well as all provisions of the E890649 license.

Any questions with respect to this matter may be directed to Patrick Madigan at 203-262-5051 or James G. Lovelace at 571-599-3643.