

Narrative
Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority
Call Sign E240159

Viasat, Inc. (“Viasat”) hereby requests extension of special temporary authority (“STA”), for sixty (60) days to continue to operate M40 earth stations and GM40 earth stations and 10 fixed earth station reference antennas (collectively, the “Terminals”) with space stations on the Permitted Space Station List and with the Telstar 19 VANTAGE (“T19V”) satellite at the 63° W.L. orbital location.¹ These transmit/receive earth stations would continue to operate with satellites on the Permitted Space Station List in portions of the Ka band, specifically the 18.3-18.8 GHz (space-to-Earth), 19.7-20.2 GHz (space-to-Earth), 28.35-28.6 GHz (Earth-to-space), and 29.5-30.0 GHz (Earth-to-space) band segments, and with the T19V satellite in the 17.8-18.3 GHz (space-to-Earth) band segment.² Viasat has filed an application for permanent authority to operate the Terminals with satellites on the Permitted Space Station List and T19V.³ Operations under the STA would continue to be under the same technical and operational parameters specified in the underlying application for permanent authority. Grant of the requested STA would continue to serve the public interest for the same reasons specified in the underlying application, including by facilitating Viasat’s ability to continue to communicate with the SES-17 satellite and provide enhanced services to customers on aircraft.

All operations with the Permitted Space Station List and T19V would continue to be consistent with the Commission’s regulatory framework for the Ka band and rules applicable to aeronautical earth stations in motion (“ESIMs”). As described in the underlying application for permanent authority, as amended, the Terminals would communicate with the Permitted Space Station List and T19V under the same technical parameters currently authorized for use of the Terminals with other satellites. When communicating with the Permitted Space Station List and T19V under the STA, all communications would continue to comport with the applicable terms and conditions of the applicable satellite authorization.

Viasat would continue to operate pursuant to the STA on a non-protected, non-harmful interference basis. In the unlikely event of harmful interference caused by Viasat’s operations under the STA, Viasat would take steps to eliminate such interference, including termination of transmissions if needed. The U.S. point of contact available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with authority and ability to cease emissions is:

349 Inverness Drive South
Englewood, CO 80112
Tel: 720-493-7300

¹ This request is an extension of a current grant of temporary authority authorized under the same technical parameters as previous grants. *See, e.g.,* Viasat, Inc., Call Sign E240159, ICFS File No. SES-STA-20251120-00814 (granted Jan. 28, 2026).

² Although the T19V satellite is not currently authorized to operate in the 17.8-18.3 GHz band in the United States, Viasat’s operations in this band segment under this STA would continue to be limited to operations with U.S.-flagged aircraft outside the United States.

³ *See* Viasat, Inc., Call Sign E240159, ICFS File Nos. SES-LIC-20240821-01801 and SES-AFS-20240905-01888.