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Re: **Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority**

GUSA Licensee LLC

File Nos. SAT-AMD-20091221-00147; SES-MFS-20091221-01615 (E050097);  
SES-MFS-20091221-01616 (E050098); SES-MFS-20091221-01617  
(E050099); SES-MFS-20091221-01618 (E050100); SES-AFS-20091221-  
01607 (E970199); SES-MFS-20091221-01608 (E000342); SES-MFS-  
20091221-01609 (E000343); SES-MFS-20091221-01610 (E000344);  
SES-MFS-20091221-01611 (E000345); SES-MFS-20091221-01601  
(E030266)

ITU Designation: HIBLEO-X

Dear Ms. De La Torre:

GUSA Licensee LLC (“Globalstar”) hereby requests a 60-day extension of previously granted Special Temporary Authority<sup>1</sup> (“STA”) for ten of its Commission-licensed antennas to communicate with its second-generation satellites, launched on October 19, 2010, for purposes of telemetry and control pending grant of the necessary authorizations and registration of its satellites by the government of France, as required by the Commission’s March 2011 *Order*.<sup>2</sup> Globalstar requests expedited treatment of this request given that its existing authority expires on August 29, 2011.

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<sup>1</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 25.120. The previously granted STA requests were: SES-STA-20110629-00759 (E050097); SES-STA-20110629-00760 (E050098); SES-STA-20110629-00761 (E050099); SES-STA-20110629-00762 (E050100); SES-STA-20110629-00753 (E970199); SES-STA-20110629-00754 (E000342); SES-STA-20110629-00755 (E000343); SES-STA-20110629-00756 (E000344); SES-STA-20110629-00757 (E000345); SES-STA-20110629-00758 (E030266) (collectively, “June 2011 STAs”). Technical exhibits for these antennas are attached to the instant request.

<sup>2</sup> See *Order, Globalstar Licensee LLC, Application for Modification of Non-geostationary Mobile Satellite Service Space Station License, GUSA Licensee LLC, Applications For Modification Of Mobile Satellite, Service Earth Station Licenses*, 26 FCC Rcd 3948, 3962 ¶ 35 (IB, rel. Mar. 18, 2011) (“*Order*”).

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As described in the *Order*, Globalstar has embarked on a transition to its second-generation satellite constellation.<sup>3</sup> This transition involves the launch of 24 new satellites, with the first batch of six satellites launched on October 19, 2010, and the second batch of six satellites launched on July 13, 2011 from Baikonur, Kazakhstan.<sup>4</sup>

The Commission conditioned the grant of Globalstar's application in the *Order*, which includes the authority for its antennas to communicate with all of its second-generation satellites, upon Globalstar's receipt of certain French authorizations and international registration of Globalstar's satellites by the government of France.<sup>5</sup> Globalstar has submitted all relevant materials in connection with its application to the French authorities, and the French Centre National d'Études Spatiales (CNES) has recommended approval of the application. Globalstar representatives also met with staff from the relevant French authorities on August 22, 2011 and understand that grant of their application should be forthcoming. In the meantime, Globalstar must be able to continue effective control and monitoring of its launched satellites and, accordingly, requests authority to do so.

The public interest justifications for granting this authority remain substantially the same as those provided in the previous requests. In short, the public interest will be served by the grant of these STA requests because they will ensure effective control center communications with launched satellites, and these operations are necessary to ensure the provision of high quality service to U.S. customers.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

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<sup>3</sup> *Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 3590-591 ¶ 5.

<sup>4</sup> See Press Release, *Globalstar Announces Successful Second Launch Of Six New Satellites* (July 14, 2011), <http://www.globalstar.com/en/index.php?cid=7010&pressId=681>. Globalstar separately requested authority for its Clifton and Sebring earth stations to communicate with its second-generation satellites launched on July 13, 2011. See SES-STA-20110728-00877, 876, 875, 874, 883, 882, 881, 880, 879, 878.

<sup>5</sup> See *Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 3962 ¶ 35 (“The authority to operate granted in connection with these earth station applications shall become effective upon grant by France of an authorization for space operations under the June 3, 2008 French law n° 2008-518 relating to space operations, and only for communications with space stations for which France grants authority and undertakes to register under the United Nations Registration Convention.”).

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Respectfully submitted,

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