

Request For Special Temporary Authority

United Teleports requests earth station temporary authority (“STA”) for a period of 180 days beginning on or about April 15, 2018, to support SES Americom, Inc (“SES”) in the communication with ASTRA 1D spacecraft in order to provide Tracking, Telemetry and Command (“TT&C”).

SES was previously granted an STA for TT&C operation of ASTRA 1D under SES-STA-20170323-00336 on Call Sign E050287. The operations proposed with United Teleports 7 meter Ku-band antenna will be identical to the authorization granted for SES for TT&C with ASTRA 1D. United Teleports is not requesting U.S. market access or any other authorization from the Commission in relation to the non-U.S.-licensed ASTRA 1D spacecraft, and therefore is not providing full technical information about the ASTRA 1D satellite as part of this application.

Grant of this request is in the public interest as the requested TT&C authority will facilitate the safe operation of ASTRA 1D.

Requested waiver of Sections 25.137, 25.114 and 25.210(j) in this STA request are consistent with the waivers requested by the SES STA grant SES-STA-20170323-00336 on Call Sign E050287. United Teleports is not seeking authority to communicate with ASTRA 1D for purposes of providing U.S. service within the meaning of 25.137.

The STA request will be limited to TT&C operations on ASTRA 1D with this 7 meter earth station antenna.