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August 14, 2018

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Further Extension of Special Temporary Authority
Hagerstown, Maryland Earth Station E170135

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Intelsat License LLC (“Intelsat”) herein requests an additional 60 days of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)¹ previously granted Intelsat to utilize its new 9.4 meter, Ku-band earth station in Hagerstown, Maryland—call sign E170135—prior to grant of permanent operating authority.² The antenna will continue to communicate in the 13.0-13.25 GHz and 13.75-14.50 GHz bands (Earth-to-space) and 10.7-11.95 GHz band (space-to-Earth) with the U.S.-licensed Intelsat 37e satellite at 18.0° W.L. Intelsat has a pending application for authorization to operate this antenna.³

In support of this request, Intelsat incorporates by reference its pending application for permanent authority to operate this antenna.⁴ The application contains detailed technical information in Exhibits A-C demonstrating that the earth station’s operations will be compatible with its electromagnetic environment and will not cause harmful interference to any lawfully operating facility. In the extremely unlikely event that harmful interference should occur, Intelsat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate the interference.

Grant of this STA further extension request will enable Intelsat to continue utilizing the antenna at its new location prior to grant of permanent operating authority, thereby serving the public interest by

¹ Intelsat has filed its STA request, FCC Form 159, a \$200.00 filing fee, and this supporting letter electronically via the International Bureau’s Filing System (“IBFS”).

² See *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02074, File No. SES-STA-201801104 (June 27, 2018) (Public Notice.); *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02064, File No. SES-STA-20180411-00347 (May 23, 2018) (Public Notice); *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02037, File No. SES-STA-20180117-00033 (Feb. 21, 2018) (Public Notice).

³ See *Satellite Communications Services; Satellite Radio Applications Accepted for Filing*, Report No. SES-01994, File No. SES-LIC-20170721-00790 (Sept. 27, 2017) (Public Notice).

⁴ See *id.*

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ensuring the antenna's readiness to commence service with Intelsat 37e as quickly as possible. In addition, grant will provide the Commission with additional time in which to continue processing the permanent license application.

Please direct any questions regarding this STA further extension request to the undersigned at (703) 559-6949.

Respectfully submitted,

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