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December 10, 2019

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Operate Ellenwood, Georgia Earth Station Outside the Currently Licensed Arc to Communicate with Galaxy 11; Call Sign E980502

Dear Ms. Dortch:

IntelSat License LLC (“IntelSat”) herein requests an additional 60 days of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)<sup>1</sup> previously granted to IntelSat<sup>2</sup> to use its Ellenwood, Georgia earth station (Call Sign E980502) to communicate with the Galaxy 11 satellite (Call Sign S2253)<sup>3</sup> outside of the currently licensed arc, in order to provide customer service.

E980502 is currently authorized to communicate with satellites between 29° W.L.-58° W.L. Galaxy 11 is outside of this arc at 93.1° W.L. This STA extension request will allow IntelSat to continue to use E980502 to communicate with Galaxy 11 to provide customer service while it seeks to permanently modify the E980502 license.

The proposed operations will continue to be performed in the 13750-14000 MHz (Earth-to-Space) frequency band. The operations at 93.1° W.L. will be consistent with IntelSat’s coordination agreements for the nominal 93° W.L. orbital location. The 24x7 contact information for the operations is as follows:

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<sup>1</sup> IntelSat has filed its STA request, an FCC Form 159, a \$210.00 filing fee, and this supporting letter electronically via the International Bureau’s Filing System (“IBFS”).

<sup>2</sup> See *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02211, File No. SES-STA-20190927-01264 (Oct. 23, 2019) (Public Notice).

<sup>3</sup> See *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-01993, File No. SES-MOD-20170725-00801 (Sept. 20, 2017) (Public Notice); see also *Satellite Policy Branch Information, Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01411, File No. SAT-STA-20190822-00079 (Sept. 6, 2019) (Public Notice).

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Ph.: (703) 559-7701 – East Coast Operations Center (primary)  
(310) 525-5591 – West Coast Operations Center (back-up)

Request to speak with Harry Burnham or Kevin Bell.

In further support of this request, Intelsat incorporates by reference Exhibit A of its original request,<sup>4</sup> a 13 GHz report.

Grant of this STA extension request will enable Intelsat to continue to provide continuity of service to customers at the nominal 93.0° W.L. location and thereby promotes the public interest.

For the reasons set forth herein, Intelsat respectfully requests that the Federal Communications Commission grant this STA extension request. Please direct any questions regarding this request to the undersigned at (703) 559-6949.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Cynthia J. Grady*

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Intelsat US LLC

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<sup>4</sup> See *supra* n. 2 at Exhibit A.