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December 11, 2019

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

Re: Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority
Napa, California Earth Station E190127

Dear Ms. Dortch:

IntelSat License LLC (“IntelSat”) herein requests an additional 30 days of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”)¹ previously granted to IntelSat² to use its Napa, California C-band earth station (Call Sign E190127) to communicate with IntelSat 30 (Call Sign S2887)³ for antenna verification testing prior to the antenna’s use with Galaxy 30 (Call Sign S3016).⁴ IntelSat is seeking an STA extension due to unforeseen delays, and now expects testing to begin the week of January 6, 2020, and to take approximately two days.⁵

The proposed testing will be performed at 6639.27 MHz (uplink) and 3614.27 MHz (downlink).

¹ 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”).

² See *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02219, File No. SES-STA-20191021-01350 (Nov. 20, 2019) (Public Notice).

³ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01061, File No. SAT-LOA-20121025-00187 (Dec. 19, 2014) (Public Notice).

⁴ See *Policy Branch Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SAT-01359, File No. SAT-LOA-20170524-00079 (Nov. 16, 2018) (Public Notice). Galaxy 30 is expected to launch in 2020.

⁵ IntelSat is seeking 30 days of STA to accommodate further delays.

In further support of this request, Intelsat incorporates Exhibit A of its original request,⁶ which contains technical information that demonstrates that the operation of the earth station will be compatible with its electromagnetic environment and will not cause harmful interference into any lawfully operating terrestrial facility. In the extremely unlikely event that harmful interference should occur due to transmissions to or from its earth station, Intelsat will take all reasonable steps to eliminate the interference.

The 24x7 contact information for this testing is as follows:

Phone: (404) 589-3360 – Intelsat General Secure Operations Center

Request to speak with a shift supervisor.

Grant of this STA extension request will help ensure this antenna is operational prior to its use with Galaxy 30, which in turn will support customer service on Galaxy 30. As such grant is in 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,

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⁶ See *supra* n. 2 at Exhibit A.