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January 28, 2020

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

Re: Request for Further Extension of Special Temporary Authority to Operate a 13.1-meter C-band Antenna at IntelSat's Hagerstown, Maryland Teleport

Dear Ms. Dortch:

IntelSat License LLC ("IntelSat") herein requests an additional 30 days of Special Temporary Authority ("STA")<sup>1</sup> previously granted to IntelSat<sup>2</sup> to utilize a 13.1-meter C-band antenna located at its Hagerstown, Maryland teleport for antenna verification testing. Due to staffing constraints, IntelSat expects the testing to take at least an additional 30 days.

The communication services will continue to be performed in the 5850-6725 MHz (uplink) and 3400-4200 MHz (downlink) bands. Based on availability, IntelSat will be communicating with various IntelSat satellites for the testing.<sup>3</sup>

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

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.

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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.

<sup>2</sup> See, e.g., *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02230, File No. SES-STA-20191209-01690 (Jan. 8, 2020) (Public Notice).

<sup>3</sup> All operations will be in accordance with the relevant coordination agreements.

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In further support of this request, Intelsat incorporates by reference Exhibits A and B of its original STA request,<sup>4</sup> which contain 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, as well as a radiation hazard analysis report. 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.

Grant of this further STA extension request will help ensure this antenna is operational prior to its use during a power upgrade at Intelsat's Hagerstown, Maryland teleport later this year, which in turn will ensure customer service during the upgrade. As such this request is in the public interest.

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

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Cynthia J. Grady*

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<sup>4</sup> See *Satellite Communications Services Information; Actions Taken*, Report No. SES-02201, File No. SES-STA-20190830-01134 (Sept. 18, 2019) (Public Notice).