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EX PARTE

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

Re: IB Docket No. 02-34

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 4, 2003, members of the Satellite Industry Association (Richard Dalbello of SIA, Peter Hadinger of Northrup Grumman, Milenko Stojkovich of Intelsat, Nancy Eskenazi of SES Americom, Jennifer Warren of Lockheed Martin Global Telecommunications, Bruce Olcott representing The Boeing Company, Keith Bernard of Hughes Network Systems, Joe Godles representing PanAmSat, Bruce Jacobs representing MSV, Susan Hutchings of New ICO, Mike Fitch of Boeing, Carl Frank representing Intelsat and I) met with Rod Porter, Tom Tycz and Steve Spaeth of the FCC's International Bureau regarding the above-captioned proceeding. SIA is a non-profit association representing the leading U.S. satellite manufacturers, service providers, group equipment providers and launch service companies.

SIA and FCC IB staff discussed issues SIA had previously raised in its comments including various aspects of the Commissions' "first-come, first-serve" proposal for space station licensing contained in the NPRM.

Sincerely,

/s/ John Stern
John Stern

cc: Rod Porter
Steve Spaeth
Tom Tycz