

February 29, 2012

System Analysis Branch
Satellite Division
International Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority – Harris CapRock Communicaions, Inc.

Pursuant to Section 25.120(a) of the Rules and Regulations (“Regulations”) of the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”), Harris CapRock Communications, Inc.. (“Harris CapRock”) seeks Commission consideration for a Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to operate a VSAT station (callsign E960499, SES-RWL-20070320-00375) while an application for modification of authority to add a new C-band Andrew 3.7m antenna undergoes Commission review.

According to Section 25.120(b)(3) of the Regulations, the Commission may grant temporary authority for a period not to exceed 60 days, if the STA request has not been placed on public notice, and the applicant plans to file a request for regular authority for the service. In the instant case, the STA request has not been placed on public notice but Harris CapRock has filed an application for modification of authority. See File No. SES-MOD-20120219-00179. Therefore, Harris CapRock respectfully requests an STA for a period not to exceed 60 days.

Harris CapRock is a global satellite communications provider for the energy, government, and maritime industries as well as for disaster recovery services. The company uses the latest field-proven satellite technologies to deliver highly-reliable managed communications services, including broadband internet, voice over IP, secure networking and real-time video, to the world’s harshest and most remote locations. The Andrew 3.7m C-band hub at issue will be used to support remote antennas in hard to reach locations throughout the United States. In particular, these remotes will support critical communications related to drilling and other energy field services.

According to Section 25.120 (b)(1) of the Regulations, "The Commission may grant a temporary authorization only upon a finding that there are extraordinary circumstances requiring temporary operations in the public interest and that delay in the institution of these temporary operations would seriously prejudice the public interest". Because of the important nature of the communications carried by the proposed Harris CapRock’s Andrew 3.7m hub, it is critical that Harris CapRock operate while the application for permanent authority is underway. As this is a C-band system, frequency coordination has been completed with no known cases of interference. Furthermore, Harris CapRock wishes to operate this earth station on AMC-9 at 83 degrees West.

The requested date for prior use is March 7, 2012¹. In accordance to Section 25.120(a) of the Regulations, this STA is being filed at least 3 working days prior to the date of proposed operation.

Sincerely,

/s/ Raul Magallanes
Attorney

¹ Harris-CapRock currently has temporary authority to operate this station under SES-STA-20111224-01507 which is due to expire March 7, 2012.