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SATELLITE POLICY BRANCH INFORMATION

Applications Accepted for Filing

The applications listed below have been found, upon initial review, to be acceptable for filing. The Commission reserves the right to return any of the applications if, upon further examination, it is determined the application is not in conformance with the Commission's rules or its policies. Petitions, oppositions and other pleadings filed in response to this notice should conform to Section 25.154 of the Commission's rules, unless otherwise noted. 47 C.F.R. § 25.154.

SAT-DRZ-19991216-00124

ATLANTIC SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Declaratory Ruling for Zoning

Atlantic Satellite Communications, Inc. (ASCI) has requested that the Commission issue a Declaratory Ruling that pursuant to Section 25.104 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. s 25.104, the local ordinance adopted by the Town of Orangetown, New Jersey restricting the construction and location of satellite earth station antennas is preempted by the rules and regulations of the FCC. In addition, ASCI has filed a Request for Expedited Processing with its Request for Declaratory Ruling.

SAT-MOD-19991214-00121 MARISAT COMSAT GENERAL CORPORATION

Modification

COMSAT General Corporation has filed an application for modification of the MARISAT F2 satellite. COMSAT General is authorized to operate the MARISAT F2 satellite at 72.5 degrees W.L. With this modification, COMSAT General requests authority to relocate the satellite to 34 degrees E.L. The satellite will be used to provide two "Narrowband" UHF channels to a NATO user for mobile-to-mobile communications; one C-to-L transponder (4 MHz wide) for part-time data communications from National Science Foundation earth station facilities in the U.S. to NSF earth station facilities at the South Pole; and one L-to-C transponder (4 MHz wide) will be used to provide part-time data communications from NSF earth station facilities at the South Pole to NSF earth station facilities in the U.S.

SAT-STA-19991215-00123 S2378 PANAMSAT CORPORATION

Special Temporary Authority

PanAmSat Corporation has filed a request for Special Temporary Authority to launch and perform in-orbit testing of its Galaxy X-R fixed-satellite service satellite. PanAmSat has a pending application to launch and operate this satellite as a replacement satellite for its Galaxy X satellite, which suffered a launch failure on August 8, 1998 [see File No. SAT-LOA-19990518-00054]. As a replacement, the Galaxy X-R satellite is proposed to be operated at 123 degrees W.L. However, PanAmSat is operating two satellites at the 123 degree orbital location and requests authority to conduct the in-orbit testing of the Galaxy X-R satellite at 127 degrees W.L., for up to 90 days, prior to placing it into operation at its assigned orbital location of 123 degrees W.L. Launch of the Galaxy X-R satellite is scheduled for January 24, 2000.

NOTE: Comments on PanAmSat's request may be filed on or before January 7, 2000. Replies may be filed on or before January 14, 2000.

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