WRC-07 ADVISORY COMMITTEE INFORMAL WORKING GROUP 5 (IWG-5) Regulatory Issues Minutes

Meeting: Thirteenth Meeting of IWG-5

Date/Time: August 4, 2005, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: The Boeing Company, 1200 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22209

1. Introduction: The meeting was open to the public.

Committee members Present: A. Allison (Chair), K. Baum (Vice-Chair), J. Albuquerque, C. Glass, A. Maimo, L. Reed, A. Renshaw, J. Taubman, T. Walsh (phone), F. Williams, R. Wright, J. Creamer (phone), K. Green, J. Carroll, D. Jansky

FCC Employees Present: L. Reed

Minutes Preparer: A. Renshaw

2. Approval of Agenda: The Draft Agenda (*Document IWG-5/43*) was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes of Twelfth Meeting:

The Draft Minutes of the twelfth meeting was reviewed & approved without substantive change (*Document IWG-5/42*).

4. Update on Related International Meetings

ITU Council: Mr. Frank Williams gave a summary of the Council meeting of 12-22 July 2005. The WRC-07 dates were confirmed for 15 October to 9 November, with the Radio Assembly to commence on 8 October. There may be an effort to slightly shorten this time period by overlapping the end of the RA with the beginning of the WRC. CPM-02 will take place as previously scheduled, but will be shortened by one day. Other items discussed:

- The U.S. announced its candidate for the Radio Regulations Board: Julie Zoller. Julie participated in the Council meeting and was received very well by the delegates.
- The overall ITU budget is very tight. The Contributory Unit was raised from \$315,000 to \$318,000.

- The Chair of the WRC-07 Informal Group proposed a structure for the WRC which had most agenda items in two committees. The U.S. favors only one committee per agenda item. The group will meet on November 1 during the RAG meeting.
- Lobbying has begun for Chairman of WRC-07.
- There was much discussion on the outcome of the Satellite Network Cost Recovery (SNCR) issues. The charges have increased approximately 80%, but now include caps. Resolution 49 was included in the notification costs but will not be separately invoiced. Cancelled filings will not be reinstated.
- The Plenipotentiary Conference will occur from 6-24 November 2006 in Antalya, Turkey. Aspects of SNCR will likely be considered by the Plenipot. Interested IWG-5.members should participate in the ITAC preparatory meetings for that conference.

RRB. Jim Carroll reported that the next meeting is at the end of September. The Board is preparing an item concerning the transferal of the Rules of Procedure into the Radio Regulations. Many pertain to Appendix 30B and are also being considered in Working Party 4A and the Special Committee. The Board is also preparing for the Plenipotentiary Conference.

5. Update on Related U.S. Meetings:

WAC: The next WAC meeting is Sept 14th. RCS is preparing several draft proposals to be available for approval in time for the next meeting of CITEL PCC.II.

US WP 4A: Don Jansky advised that they have initiated the work on the next meeting of Working Party 4A in November. Agenda Item 1.10 is seeing the most inputs, which will be liaised to the Special Committee.

RCS: Charles Glass said that they have an additional deletion for Item 7.2, and will be adding allocations above 275 GHz. These need to be approved at the RCS to go to the IRAC.

CITEL PCC II. The chair briefed that the next meeting will occur at the end of October, and that Cecily Holiday will hold preparation meetings ever other Tuesday. Charles Glass expected that we would have several proposals ready for CITEL, and that they are moving away from the Preliminary Views (PV's). The Chair reminded us that we have not reviewed the Guatemala meeting for regulatory issues, will need to do at the next meeting. Charles pointed out that we will need an IWG-5 meeting after the 1 September RCS meeting and before the WAC meeting in order to process inputs.

6. Status of Work on Assigned Agenda Items and Preparation of Preliminary Views and Draft Proposals.

- Agenda item 1.1: (Deletion of country footnotes) considered deletion of 5.286D, but after liaison to IWG-2 (*Document IWG-5/40*), the response was to maintain it.
- Agenda Item 1.10: (Appendix 30B): Jose Albuquerque, PanAmSat, presented two draft proposals (Documents IWG-5/43 and 44).

- O Doc 44 is expected to be non-controversial. It attempts to merge the two categories, "subregional systems" and "additional uses", into one category eliminating the possible suspension of allotments. Intelsat supports, but would like to maintain subregional systems thus redefining this category and that of additional uses rather than merging the two categories.
- Doc 45 is more difficult. It proposes to create two lists, one for allotments/assignments conforming to the plan, and a second for additional uses, which would use Article 9.

The meeting agreed that the two inputs should be combined and into a new Preliminary View document to solicit other views. An amended document will be made available prior to the next meeting.

- Agenda Item 1.12: (Resolution 86): (*Document IWG-5/041*) The meeting continued consideration of the government's draft proposal to suppress Resolution 49. Much discussion ensued regarding the diminished value of Resolution 49 to the ITU process versus the value to operators as a tool for discussions. It was noted that the situation is much different now from when Resolution 49 was originally developed. The parties agreed to accept the proposal, but may consider other methods of obtaining the due diligence information.
- Agenda Items 2 (Incorporation by Reference) and 4 (Resolutions and Recommendations):
 RCS has completed analysis of these two items and will bring revised papers to the next meeting.
- Agenda Item 7.1 (BR Report) and 7.2 (Future Agendas): These items were not reached at this meeting.
- **8. Future Meetings**: The next meeting is proposed for Thursday, September 8^{th} from 10:00 a.m.to12:00 p.m. at Boeing.
- **9. Other Business**: None.