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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW – Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice – Consolidated Application of EchoStar Communications Corporation, General Motors Corporation and Hughes Electronics Corporation for Authority to Transfer Control, CS Docket No. 01-348

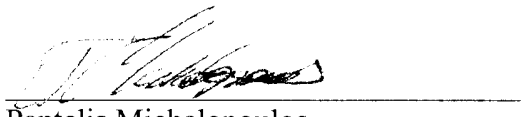
Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, EchoStar Communications Corporation ("EchoStar"), an Applicant in the above-captioned proceeding, submits this letter to advise the Commission that, on April 24, 2002, the undersigned representative of EchoStar had a telephone conversation with Marcia Glauberman of the Commission's Media Bureau.

In that conversation, EchoStar discussed the chart of promotions that it has offered since 1998, submitted on March 21, 2002 as part of its interrogatory responses to the Commission's February 4, 2002 Initial Information and Document Request (Exhibit VI(A)(2) at Tab 14). Since that date, EchoStar has been engaged in further efforts to compile information regarding promotions for its response to requests for additional information under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act (the responses to those requests not having been subject to the time schedule imposed by the Commission). As a result of these efforts, EchoStar has identified additional and more refined information regarding promotions that it believes may assist the Commission in its review of the proposed transaction. EchoStar plans to provide the Commission promptly with that additional information.

One copy of this *ex parte* notice is being filed electronically with the Commission. If you have any questions concerning this notice, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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