



Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

DA 06-852

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Re: **NOTICE OF DISMISSAL**
FRN: 0008337081
File No. SES-LIC-20021028-01926¹
Call Sign E020303

Dear Mr. Miller:

On October 28, 2002, Schlumberger Omnes (Schlumberger) filed an application to operate Ku-Band² Earth Stations on Board Vessels (ESVs). We dismiss the application without prejudice to refile for Schlumberger's failure to pay delinquent Commission debts.

Pursuant to Section 1.1910(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, the Commission examines each application to determine whether the applicant is delinquent in any non-tax debt owed to the Commission.³ On November 10, 2005, the Commission notified Schlumberger that it was delinquent on the payment of debts owed to the Commission.⁴ The letter stated that if full payment or satisfactory arrangement to pay the delinquent

¹ On August 24, 2005, Schlumberger Technology Corporation filed an amendment to this application. *See* File No. SES-AMD-20050824-01155. Because the name of the amendment does not correspond to the licensee on the underlying application, we dismiss the amendment as inconsistent with the application.

² 11.7-12.2 and 14.0-14.5 GHz bands.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.1910(a)(1). *See* Amendment of Parts 0 and 1 of the Commission's Rules – Implementation of the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 and Adoption of Rules Governing Applications or Requests for Benefits by Delinquent Debtors, 19 FCC 6540 (2004); 47 C.F.R. § 1.1910. For the purpose of determining if an applicant is delinquent, the Commission checks the status of all entities with whom an applicant shares the same tax payer identification number.

⁴ Letter from M. Washington, Acting Chief, Revenue and Receivables Operations Group, Office of Managing Director, FCC to Mr. Robert Miller, Schlumberger Omnes (November 10, 2005).

debt was not made within 30 days of the date of the letter, Schlumberger's application would be dismissed pursuant to Section 1.1910(b)(3) of the rules.⁵ The Commission has not received payment of the debts identified in the letter, nor has Schlumberger made other satisfactory payment arrangements with the Commission.

Accordingly, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1910(b)(3) and the Commission's rules on delegated authority, 47 C.F.R. § 0.261, the above-referenced application filed by Schlumberger is DISMISSED without prejudice to refileing.

Sincerely,

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⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1910(b)(3).