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## INTERNATIONAL BUREAU ANNOUNCES CREATION OF ONLINE LIST OF ALL CURRENT SPACE STATION LICENSES AND GRANTS OF U.S. MARKET ACCESS

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The Satellite Division of the International Bureau announces the creation of a list of all space stations authorized by the Federal Communications Commission under Part 25 or granted access to the U.S. market pursuant to Section 25.137 of the Commission's rules. The list provides the following information for each space station license or grant of access to the U.S. market: (1) the orbital location for a geostationary satellite or identification of the grant as pertaining to a non-geostationary satellite system; (2) space station or system name; (3) call sign; (4) operator name; (5) licensing administration; (6) frequencies; (7) links to where polarization, coverage, and orbital debris mitigation information can be found; (8) launch date of the space station; and (9) additional information, including whether the space station has been granted U.S. market access. This list is available online at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/international-resources>.

The creation of such a list was recommended as part of the Report on FCC Process Reform.<sup>1</sup> In addition, in a Report and Order released December 17, 2015, the Commission directed the International Bureau to create "a list of all regular Commission space station licenses and grants of U.S. market access, including information on the frequencies and polarization(s) used, coverage area provided, and orbital location of geostationary orbit satellites, and indicating which space station operations are accessible to earth stations by virtue of a "Permitted List" or "ISAT List" designation on their license."<sup>2</sup> Although such information is already publicly available online via the International Bureau Filing System (IBFS), including this information in an online list will make it more easily available to potential applicants and may aid in bringing new spectrum and orbital resources into use.

The list provides information on satellites in geostationary and non-geostationary orbits. It also includes links to relevant information concerning Federal space stations authorized by the National Telecommunications & Information Administration (NTIA), as well as space stations authorized as points of communications for Earth Stations Aboard Aircraft (ESAA). IBFS remains, however, the official licensing database of the Commission and, in the event of any discrepancies between this list and IBFS, the information in IBFS is controlling.

<sup>1</sup> *Report on FCC Process Reform*, 29 FCC Rcd 1338 (Staff Working Group, 2014) (Recommendation 5.11).

<sup>2</sup> *Comprehensive Review of Licensing and Operating Rules for Satellite Services*, Second Report and Order, 30 FCC Rcd 14713, 14759, para. 127 (2015).

The list will be updated whenever regular licenses and grants of U.S. market access are issued or modified, or the Commission is notified of the removal of space stations from service. Any proposed corrections to the list, or questions about the list, can be sent to [satinfo@fcc.gov](mailto:satinfo@fcc.gov).

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