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## SATELLITE POLICY BRANCH INFORMATION

### CUT-OFF ESTABLISHED FOR ADDITIONAL NGSO FSS APPLICATIONS OR PETITIONS FOR OPERATIONS IN THE 10.7-12.7 GHz, 12.75-13.25 GHz, 13.8-14.5 GHz, 17.7-18.6 GHz, 18.8-20.2 GHz, and 27.5-30 GHz BANDS

The Satellite Division initiates a new processing round for additional applications and petitions for operations in the 10.7-12.7 GHz, 12.75-13.25 GHz, 13.85-14.5 GHz, 17.7-18.6 GHz, 18.8-20.2 GHz, and 27.5-30 GHz frequency bands by non-geostationary orbit fixed-satellite service (NGSO FSS) systems, pursuant to section 25.157 of the Commission's rules.<sup>1</sup> These frequency bands were the subject of prior processing round public notices and filing deadlines.<sup>2</sup> The Satellite Division also includes in this new processing round applications and petitions to operate in the 13.8-13.85 GHz band.<sup>3</sup>

Applications and petitions for operations in some of these frequency bands were previously filed by New Spectrum Satellite (New Spectrum),<sup>4</sup> WorldVu Satellites Limited (d/b/a OneWeb),<sup>5</sup> and Kuiper

<sup>1</sup> 47 CFR § 25.157.

<sup>2</sup> See *OneWeb Petition Accepted for Filing; Cut-Off Established for Additional NGSO-Like Satellite Applications or Petitions in the 10.7-12.7 GHz, 14.0-14.5 GHz, 17.8-18.6 GHz, 18.8-19.3 GHz, 27.5-28.35 GHz, 28.35-29.1 GHz, and 29.5-30.0 GHz Bands*, Public Notice, 31 FCC Rcd 7666 (rel. Jul. 15, 2016) (establishing a cut off deadline of Nov. 15, 2016 for additional applications and petitions in these bands); *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Cut-Off Established for Additional NGSO-Like Satellite Applications or Petitions for Operations in the 12.75-13.25 GHz, 13.85-14.0 GHz, 18.6-18.8 GHz, 19.3-20.2 GHz, and 29.1-29.5 GHz Bands*, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 4180 (rel. May 26, 2017) (establishing a cut off deadline of July 26, 2017 for additional applications and petitions in these bands).

<sup>3</sup> The Satellite Division previously accepted New Spectrum Satellite's petition for market access in the 13.8-13.85 GHz band, but it made no determination as to whether a processing round would be initiated for these frequencies and did not invite additional applications in these frequencies at that time. *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01251 (rel. Oct. 12, 2018). New Spectrum's request to use the 3700-4200 MHz (space-to-Earth) and 5925-6725 MHz (Earth-to-space) frequency bands was not accepted for filing at that time, and this portion of New Spectrum's request is not accepted for filing for the same reason previously cited.

<sup>4</sup> IBFS File No. SAT-PDR-20170726-00111 (Call Sign S3019).

<sup>5</sup> IBFS File No. SAT-MOD-20180319-00022 (Call Sign S2963).

Systems LLC (Kuiper).<sup>6</sup> These applications and petitions were filed outside of the filing deadlines established for prior processing rounds. OneWeb and Kuiper inclusions in this new processing round are provisional because both applicants have requested to be considered as part of prior processing rounds.<sup>7</sup> These requests will be reviewed and addressed as part of the review of the OneWeb and Kuiper filings. All three applications and petitions have previously been accepted for filing and the comment periods have closed.<sup>8</sup> Accordingly, the Satellite Division does not seek further comment on these applications and petitions at this time.

Applications and petitions filed by **May 26, 2020** will be considered together with the New Spectrum, OneWeb, and Kuiper applications and petitions for NGSO FSS operations in the 10.7-12.7 GHz, 12.75-13.25 GHz, 13.85-14.5 GHz, 17.7-18.6 GHz, 18.8-20.2 GHz, and 27.5-30 GHz frequency bands. Requests filed after this date may not be entitled to shared use of this spectrum with equal status with respect to any grant of applications or petitions filed prior to the cut-off date for this new processing round. Applications must be filed electronically through IBFS at <http://licensing.fcc.gov/myibfs>.

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<sup>6</sup> IBFS File No. SAT-LOA-20190704-00057 (Call Sign S3051).

<sup>7</sup> OneWeb Legal Narrative at 8, IBFS File No. SAT-MOD-20180319-00022; Kuiper Legal Narrative at 14-16, IBFS File No. SAT-LOA-20190704-00057.

<sup>8</sup> See *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01325 (rel. Jun. 29, 2018) (OneWeb); *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01251 (rel. Oct. 12, 2018) (New Spectrum); *Satellite Policy Branch Information: Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing*, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01416 (rel. Sept. 27, 2019) (Kuiper).