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**WTB AND SB TEMPORARILY TOLL THE TRANSACTION PLEADING CYCLE FOR
SPACE EXPLORATION TECHNOLOGIES CORP., SPECTRUM BUSINESS TRUST
2025-1, AND ECHOSTAR CORPORATION DUE TO RECEIPT OF AMENDED
ASSIGNMENT APPLICATIONS**

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By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (WTB) and the Space Bureau (SB) (1) announce the receipt of amended spectrum and earth station license assignment applications filed by Space Exploration Technologies Corp. (SpaceX), Spectrum Business Trust 2025-1 (the Trust), and EchoStar Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries (EchoStar) (collectively, the Applicants);¹ and (2) temporarily toll the previously announced pleading cycle for the SpaceX-EchoStar transaction until further notice. WTB and SB will announce a revised pleading cycle for the transaction by public notice when the amended applications are accepted for filing.

On September 18, 2025, SpaceX, the Trust, and EchoStar filed applications pursuant to section 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,² seeking the Commission's consent to a two-step assignment whereby EchoStar's AWS-4 and AWS-H Block spectrum licenses and several earth station licenses will be assigned to the Trust for the benefit of SpaceX and then to SpaceX.³ On September 30, 2025, WTB and SB accepted the applications for filing and established a pleading cycle for the proposed transaction.⁴ On November 10, 2025, the Applicants amended their pending applications and filed paper copies of two new applications in ECFS to add EchoStar's unpaired AWS-3 licenses to

¹ See Amended Applications of Spectrum Business Trust 2025-1, Space Exploration Technologies Corp., and EchoStar Corporation for Consent to Assign Spectrum and Earth Station Licenses, GN Docket No. 25-302 (filed Nov. 10, 2025 (Amended Applications); see also ULS File Nos. 0011755472, 0011755474 and 0011755481 and File Number 50000ALAA25 filed in ECFS (filed Sept. 18, 2025); ICFS File Nos. SES-ASG-20250918-00146 and SES-ASG-20250918-00147 and Submission ID 1091941380832 filed in ECFS (filed Sept. 18, 2025) (Sept. 18 Applications). Due to the closure of the Commission's Universal Licensing System (ULS) during the lapse in appropriations, the Applicants were prevented from filing in ULS and filed their amendment to the earlier filed applications and new applications requesting assignment of AWS-3 licenses from SNR Wireless LicenseCo, LLC and Northstar Wireless, LLC (both subsidiaries of EchoStar) in the ECFS docket established for the transaction. The Applicants will file their amendment and the new applications for assignment of the AWS-3 licenses in ULS as soon as possible after ULS reopens to the public.

² 47 U.S.C. § 310(d).

³ Sept. 18 Applications, Description of the Transaction, Public Interest Showing, and Related Demonstrations at 4 (filed Sept. 18, 2025) (Sept. 18 Public Interest Statement).

⁴ *Spectrum Business Trust 2025-1, Space Exploration Technologies Corp., and EchoStar Corporation Seek FCC Consent to the Proposed Assignment of Certain Spectrum and Earth Station Licenses Held by EchoStar to SpaceX*, GN Docket No. 25-302, Public Notice, DA 25-917 (WTB/SB Sept. 30, 2025) (SpaceX-EchoStar Sept. 30 Public Notice).

the spectrum assignment applications from EchoStar ultimately to SpaceX.⁵ In light of the Applicants' amendment to the transaction, we will set a revised pleading cycle for the transaction by public notice when we announce that we have accepted the amended applications for filing. In particular, the pleading cycle for the SpaceX-EchoStar assignment transaction, which was established in the SpaceX-EchoStar Sept. 30 Public Notice and further extended by the Commission's public notices addressing resumption of operations after the shutdown, is temporarily tolled until we accept the amended applications for filing and announce the revised pleading cycle for this transaction.⁶

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⁵ Amended Applications, Description of the Transaction, Public Interest Showing, and Related Demonstrations at 4 (filed Nov. 10, 2025) (Amended Public Interest Statement).

⁶ See SpaceX-EchoStar Sept. 30 Public Notice (establishing the deadlines for petitions to deny as October 30, 2025, for oppositions as November 14, 2025, and for replies as November 24, 2025); *Additional Guidance Ahead of Resumption of Operations and Extension of Filing Deadlines*, Public Notice, DA 25-937 (Nov. 13, 2025) (extending deadlines for filings due from October 1, 2025 through November 17, 2025 until Tuesday, November 18, 2025); *Revisions to Deadlines Following Resumption of Normal Operations*, Public Notice, DA 25-943 (Nov. 17, 2025) (same).