Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Allocation and Designation of Spectrum)	IB Docket No. 97-95
for Fixed-Satellite Services)	
in the 37.5-38.5 GHz, 40.5-41.5 GHz,)	RM-8811
and 48.2-50.2 GHz Frequency Bands;)	
Allocation of Spectrum to Upgrade Fixed)	
and Mobile Allocations in the 40.5-42.5 GHz)	
Frequency Band, Allocation of Spectrum)	
in the 46.9-47.0 GHz Frequency Band for)	
Wireless Services; and Allocation of)	
Spectrum in the 37.0-38.0 GHz and)	
40.0-40.5 GHz for Government Operations.)	

ORDER

Adopted: May 12, 1997

Released: May 12, 1997

By the Chief, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division

1. Lockheed Martin Corporation has requested an extension of the deadline for filing reply comments in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the above-captioned proceeding regarding the designation and allocation of spectrum between 36-51.4 GHz.¹ Reply comments were originally due on May 20, 1997. Lockheed requests that the reply deadline be extended until June 18, 1997.² We extend the reply comment deadline to June 3, 1997.

2. In support of its request for additional time, Lockheed states that the timing of the ITU Conference Preparatory Meeting ("CPM") makes it difficult for interested parties to review and respond to the issues raised by commenting parties.³ Lockheed has also represented to Commission staff that the other commenting parties to this proceeding have been contacted and all have expressed support for Lockheed's request.

³ Lockheed states that CPM will not conclude until May 16, 1997.

¹ Allocation and Designation of Spectrum between 36-51.4 GHz, IB Docket No. 97-95, FCC No. 97-85, 62 FR 16129 (April 29, 1997).

² On May 8, 1997, TRW Inc. filed a letter supporting Lockheed's request.

3. Given the timing of the CPM, an extension of the reply comment date would facilitate a more complete record in this proceeding. We grant, however, only a two-week extension of the reply deadline. We find that two weeks is sufficient for parties to prepare their comments. Further, this short extension should not unduly delay Commission action in this proceeding.

4. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R., IT IS ORDERED that the time for filing reply comments in this proceeding is extended to June 3, 1997.

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