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

In the Matter of

Report Nos. SPB-105 (DA 97-2201),

SPB-106 (DA 97-2202)

Satellite Applications Accepted for Filing in

the Ka-band

ORDER

Adopted:

January 7, 1998

Released:

January 7, 1998

By the Chief, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division:

- 1. Iridium LLC and Motorola Global Communications, Inc., have each filed a motion requesting an extension of time in which to file reply comments and oppositions pursuant to the applications in the above-referenced Public Notices.
- 2. Iridium and Motorola both assert that the delay in receiving the comments and petitions filed on December 22, 1997, as well as the complexity of the technical issues raised in these pleadings, warrants additional time to fully evaluate the technical issues and file adequate responses.
- 3. Due to the complexity of the technical issues raised in the petitions and comments, we believe it is in the public interest to extend the date for filing reply comments and oppositions. This extension of time should not adversely affect any other proceeding or delay the processing of the applications. Moreover it will contribute to the establishment of a more complete record in this application proceeding.

4. Accordingly, the date for filing reply comments and oppositions is extended to February 2, 1998. In addition, the date on which to file responses is extended to February 23, 1998.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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