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*Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary*

**Re: 2008 Annual Report of Hughes Communications, Inc. for
SPACEWAY 3, Call Sign: S2663**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Hughes Communications, Inc. ("Hughes"), by its attorneys and pursuant to Section 25.145(f)(1) of the Commission's Rules, hereby files this report concerning its SPACEWAY 3 fixed-satellite service Ka-band satellite.

Hughes is pleased to report pursuant to Section 25.145(f)(1)(i) of the Commission's Rules that in August 2007, the SPACEWAY 3 satellite was successfully launched. By December 2007, SPACEWAY 3 had been drifted to its assigned orbital location at 94.95° W.L. No major difficulties or delays were encountered, and the satellite entered commercial service in April 2008.

Pursuant to Section 25.145(f)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Rules, Hughes reports that there have been no non-scheduled space station outages for more than thirty minutes since the SPACEWAY 3 satellite entered commercial service.

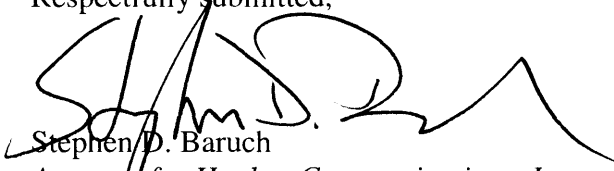
Pursuant to Section 25.145(f)(1)(iii) of the Commission's Rules, Hughes reports that the SPACEWAY 3 satellite has not been unavailable for service or otherwise failed to perform to specification since entering commercial service.



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Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this report.

Respectfully submitted,



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