

**JOINT STATEMENT OF
CHAIRMAN KEVIN J. MARTIN
AND
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. McDOWELL**

Re: Globalstar Licensee LLC Application for Modification of License for Operation of Ancillary Terrestrial Component Facilities, Order and Authorization

We have consistently supported efforts to increase broadband access for consumers living in America's rural areas. It should go without saying that all Americans, no matter where they live or work, should have affordable access to robust and reliable broadband products and services. At the same time, our rules have outlined the necessary preliminary requirements for operating a terrestrial service ancillary to a satellite system. This application does not meet these criteria and therefore sets an inappropriate precedent. For these reasons, we respectfully dissent.