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Ms. Donna R. Searcy, Secretary  
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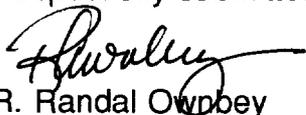
Dear Ms. Searcy:

Alascom submits this statement in support of the petition of Crescomm Transmission Services, Inc. ("Crescomm") in which it proposes that the 3.700-4.200, 5.925-6.425, 11.700-12,000 and 14.000-14.500 GHz frequency bands be relocated in a manner that will permit digital shipboard earth stations to communicate with fixed and temporary-fixed satellite earth stations from locations in ocean, sea and coastal areas on these frequency bands.

A regularization of the use of DSES's, by means of an allocation of frequencies permitting direct communication with the host of land based fixed and temporary-fixed earth station currently licensed by the Commission, will provide not only the media but others on board ship as well with direct access by satellite link to all locations serviced by those land based earth stations. This greater ability to communicate by satellite link directly from aboard ships at sea to virtually any point within the Continental United States will provide those on board ships at sea the ability to communicate by means of video, audio and highspeed digital channels with home offices, customers and the like, and visa versa. By thus removing the isolation of shipboard activities from land based activities that otherwise exists, the public interest will be served.

We urge adoption of the rule making change proposed in Crescomm's Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

  
R. Randal Ownbey

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