



the petitions and oppositions, and to prepare submissions enabling the Commission to make an informed decision based on a fully developed record.

In its Opposition filed July 9, 2007, CIP included as attachments redacted versions of the Loan Facility Agreement between CIP UK Holdings Limited, CIP Canada Investment Inc. and Inmarsat Finance III Limited ("Inmarsat") and the Call Option Agreement between Communications Investment Partners Limited and Inmarsat. These versions had significant portions of the agreements redacted. Recognizing that these documents likely bear on key issues raised in this proceeding, CIP offered

to make unredacted copies of these documents available to Petitioners' counsel under an appropriate protective order that ensures any review will result in use limited to the instant proceeding, and not be used in commercial litigation or other unrelated proceedings, by either Petitioners or other parties.<sup>2</sup>

On July 10, 2007, the undersigned counsel for Iridium contacted CIP's counsel regarding gaining such access. CIP's counsel indicated that she had requested that the FCC issue a protective order and that the comments would not be made available until that time.

Given the nature of these documents, Iridium and VIZADA believe they are relevant to discerning the relationship between CIP, Inmarsat, and Stratos Global Corporation. In particular, these documents appear to elucidate the financial relationship between those parties. The nature of this relationship goes to the heart of concerns raised by Iridium and VIZADA. Specifically, these documents bear directly on the issue of who will actually control Stratos following the proposed transaction and what incentives exist among the parties. The availability of the unredacted documents, therefore, is essential to permit Iridium, VIZADA and potentially other interested parties to comment meaningfully on the transaction and to provide the Commission with a complete record upon which to conduct its evaluation.

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 2.

For these reasons, Iridium and VIZADA are requesting a brief extension of time to file reply comments – until five (5) business days from the date Iridium and VIZADA are provided access, pursuant to an FCC protective order, to the unredacted versions of the agreements.<sup>3</sup> This brief extension will produce a more complete public record, and will not prejudice any party or unduly delay this proceeding. Accordingly, Iridium and VIZADA respectfully request that the Commission grant the requested extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>3</sup> Five business days is the standard time for filing reply comments identified in the Commission's Rules and in the public notice on the Application. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.45; *Stratos Global Corp. and Robert M. Franklin, Trustee, Seek FCC Consent to the Indirect Transfer of Control of Stratos Global's Wholly-Owned, FCC-Authorized Subsidiaries from Stratos to an Irrevocable Trust*, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 07-73 (May 30, 2007).

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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