

WRC-11 ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes

Meeting: IWG-3, Seventh Meeting
Date/Time: Monday, 24 August 2009, 09:30AM
Location: FCC, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554
Conference Bridge: 1-866-624-3038, Code #: 5809270
Committee Members Present:

Donna Bethea Murphy, Iridium (IWG-3 Vice-Chair)
Jack Wengryniuk, DIRECTV (IWG-3 Chair)
Don Jansky, JBT
Alex Roytblatt, FCC
Michael Mullinix, FCC
Joseph Hill, FCC
Dante Ibarra, FCC
Tom Tycz, Goldberg, Godles, Wiener & Wright (for Skyterra)
Liching Sung, NTIA
Sastri Kota, Harris
Paul Blais, DISA
Andy Feltman, ITT/DISA
Kris Hutchison, ASRI
Steve Baruch, Lerman Senter
Suzanne Hutchings Malloy, DBSD North America

Committee Members Present (Phone):

David Weinreich, Globalstar
Jerry Conner, ITT/DOD-NII
Bill Rummler, Consultant for FWCC
Wayne White, NASA
Alan Rinker, Boeing
Mike Lynch, M J Lynch & Associates
Tom Walsh, AV Telconsult
Larry Reed, ASRC/NASA
Giselle Creeser, Lockheed-Martin
Amy Sanders, Alcatel-Lucent

Meeting Summary:

1) Mr. Wengryniuk opened the meeting, noting this was the seventh and final meeting of IWG-3 before the WAC meeting on 1 September.

2) Introductions were made and the agenda (IWG-3/024) was approved.

2) The minutes (IWG-3/023) from the 5 August 2009 meeting were approved with clarification of Ms. Creeser's affiliation.

3) Documents Considered (by WRC-11 Agenda Item):

AI 1.7 – Availability of AMS(R)S spectrum – Tom Tycz (for SkyTerra) introduced a revised document (IWG-3/022 Rev 1) related to this agenda item. The revised document took into account some of the comments received on the original document. This draft proposal advocated NOC for the existing MSS allocations. As a result of discussion of this document, Mr. Tycz agreed to remove the second instance of the word “future” in all four “Reason” sections. Other comments involved proper formatting of the document: removing the ITU header information, adding Article 5 before each table, adding a new proposal section for the “NOC” to Footnote 5.357A, and substituting numeric frequencies for “L-band” in the Introduction. With these changes, the document was approved. Mr. Tycz will provide a revised document (IWG-3/022 Rev 2) that will be forwarded to the WAC meeting on 1 September.

AI 1.11 – SRS in the band 22.55-23.15 GHz – Donna Bethea Murphy (Iridium) updated the situation regarding the previously introduced document (IWG-3/018 Rev 1). Iridium wishes to table this document at the present time – no proposal will go forward to the WAC meeting on 1 September. Iridium hopes to be able to introduce a revised document that will receive IWG-3 and WAC approval in time for the CITEL meeting in November. (At present, there are no IWG-3 or WAC meetings scheduled after 1 September.)

AI 1.13 –BSS in Regions 1 & 3 in the 21.4-22 GHz band - Bill Rummler updated the situation regarding the previously introduced document (IWG-3/021). No comments were received concerning this document since its initial introduction at the last meeting. The document was approved as-is and will be forwarded to the WAC meeting on 1 September.

AI 1.18 – Global Primary RDSS (space-to-Earth) in the 2483.5-2500 MHz band - David Weinreich (GlobalStar) stated he is waiting to assess the progress on this Agenda Item at the upcoming ITU-R WP 4C meeting in August/September, and will determine an appropriate course of action after that meeting.

AI 1.24 –Extending 7750-7850 MHz MetSat allocation to 7750-7900 MHz – Mr. Wengryniuk noted IWG-3 does not have a leading role on this Agenda Item because it is not a commercial band. Mr. Wengryniuk had previously distributed the RCS proposal (cover letter dated 11 August 2009) on this Agenda Item on 12 August. IWG-3 noted the RCS proposal.

AI 1.25 – Additional MSS allocations 4-16 GHz – IWG-3 is waiting to assess the progress of this Agenda Item at the upcoming ITU WP 4C meeting in August/September, and will react after that meeting.

8.2 – Future Agenda Items – Mr. Wengryniuk reported that IWG-4 had considered a draft US proposal on this agenda item and Mr. Weinreich reported that IWG-4 had approved this draft proposal. The proposal advocates maintaining a future agenda item concerning a “review of the use of the band 5091-5150 MHz by the fixed-satellite service (Earth-to-space) (limited to feeder links of the non-GSO mobile satellite service) in accordance with Resolution 114 (Rev.WRC-03)”.

Other Business:

There was no other business.

Next Meeting Time and Place:

There are currently no scheduled meetings of IWG-3.

Mr. Roytblat noted that the WAC meeting is 1 September and CITEL is scheduled for 9-12 November (at the Organization of American States in Washington, DC).

There was discussion of the potential timeframe for additional IWG-3 and WAC meetings. With the schedule constraints related to ITU-R SG 4 and CITEL, the week of approximately 23-30 September appears to be the only potential time for any such meetings. If the WAC decides (at its 1 September meeting) to hold a second WAC meeting before the CITEL meeting, IWG-3 will schedule a meeting accordingly.

Documents Distributed:

IWG3/022 Rev 1 – Revised Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 1.7
IWG3/023 – Minutes from 6th meeting of IWG-3
IWG3/024 – Agenda for the 7th meeting of IWG-3

Public Participation Statement: This meeting was open to the public.

Minutes By: Andy Feltman