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EX PARTE PRESENTATION

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation in WT Docket No. 12-70, *Service Rules for Advanced Wireless Services in the 2000-2020 MHz and 2180-2200 MHz Bands*; ET Docket No. 10-142, *Fixed and Mobile Services in the Mobile Satellite Service Bands at 1525-1559 MHz and 1626.5-1660.5 MHz, 1610-1626.5 MHz and 2483.5-2500 MHz, and 2000-2020 MHz and 2180-2200 MHz*; and WT Docket No. 04-356, *Service Rules for Advanced Wireless Services in the 1915-1920 MHz, 1995-2000 MHz, 2020-2025 MHz and 2175-2180 MHz Bands*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, DISH Network Corporation ("DISH") submits this letter summarizing several meetings on Tuesday, June 5, 2012 as follows:

- A meeting with Rick Kaplan, Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau; Ruth Milkman, Special Counsel for Innovation in Government for Chairman Julius Genachowski; and John Leibovitz, Deputy Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.
- A meeting with Zachary Katz, Chief of Staff to Chairman Genachowski; Michael Steffen, Legal Advisor for Chairman Genachowski; and Renee Wentzel, Legal Advisor for Chairman Genachowski.
- A meeting with Commissioner Robert McDowell and Erin McGrath, Legal Advisor, Media for Commissioner McDowell.
- A meeting with Commissioner Mignon Clyburn; Louis Peraertz, Legal Advisor, Wireless, International, and Public Safety for Commissioner Clyburn; and Suman Tatapudy, Legal Clerk in the office of Commissioner Clyburn.
- A meeting with Commissioner Ajit Pai; Matthew Berry, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Pai; Gene Fullano, Acting Legal Advisor for Commissioner Pai; and Courtney Reinhard, Legal Advisor, Wireless for Commissioner Pai.
- A meeting with Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel and Paul Murray, Acting Legal Advisor for Wireless Issues for Commissioner Rosenworcel.

Present on behalf of DISH were Charlie Ergen, Chairman; Thomas Cullen, Executive Vice President; Stanton Dodge, Executive Vice President and General Counsel; Jeffrey Blum, Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel; and Alison Minea, Corporate Counsel.¹

During the meetings, we urged the Commission to adopt final rules in the above-captioned rulemaking proceeding to enable DISH to proceed with its planned wireless initiatives. We noted that the pleading cycle is complete and the record shows near unanimous support for promptly issuing AWS-4 authority to DISH. Modifying DISH's license is the fastest possible way to get the spectrum deployed for consumer use. DISH continues to make significant new investments, at its own risk, to accelerate its utilization of the 2 GHz spectrum.² But, DISH needs regulatory certainty on the AWS-4 rules before it can fully undertake development activities.

We also noted that DISH's proposed revisions to the buildout schedule are reasonable given that DISH must start from scratch to deploy a new terrestrial network.³ For that same reason, DISH urged the Commission to issue the AWS-4 license based on the current spectrum assignment, and not risk the delay and potential interference issues associated with an upward shift of the AWS-4 uplink frequencies.⁴ Finally, we discussed DISH's preference for licensing AWS-4 spectrum on a nationwide basis rather than on an Economic Area (EA) basis, because among other things smaller licenses are more difficult to administer and may not result in the most efficient deployment to the most capacity-constrained areas of the country.⁵

Respectfully submitted,

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Renee Wentzel
Rick Kaplan
Ruth Milkman
John Leibovitz
Erin McGrath
Louis Peraertz

¹ Only Mr. Cullen, Mr. Dodge, Mr. Blum and Ms. Minea were present on behalf of DISH for the meeting with Commissioner Rosenworcel and Mr. Murray.

² See Reply Comments of DISH Network Corporation, WT Docket No. 12-70, ET Docket No. 10-142, WT Docket No. 04-356 (June 1, 2012), at 12.

³ See *id.* at 14.

⁴ See *id.* at 24-29.

⁵ See Comments of DISH Network Corporation, WT Docket No. 12-70, ET Docket No. 10-142, WT Docket No. 04-356 (May 17, 2012), at 32.

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