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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Globalstar, Inc. Petition for Rulemaking to Reform the Commission's Regulatory Framework for Terrestrial Use of the Big LEO MSS Band – RM-11685*
Ex Parte Notice

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, March 26, 2013, Jay Monroe, Executive Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Globalstar, Inc. (“Globalstar”), L. Barbee Ponder IV, General Counsel & Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, for Globalstar, John Dooley, technical advisor to Globalstar and Managing Director of Jarvinian Venture Fund (“Jarvinian”), Steve Berman of Lawler, Metzger, Keeney & Logan, LLC, and I met with Renee Gregory, Legal Advisor to Chairman Julius Genachowski on wireless and engineering and technology issues, and Kate Dumouchel, Special Counsel to the Commission. On the same day, Mr. Dooley met with Ronald Repasi, Walter Johnston, Doug Young, and Behnam Ghaffari of the Commission’s Office of Engineering and Technology (“OET”). On Wednesday, March 27, 2013, Mr. Ponder, Mr. Berman, and I met with Courtney Reinhard, Legal Advisor, Wireless, for Commissioner Ajit Pai.

At these meetings, Globalstar’s representatives addressed the status of Globalstar’s November 2012 Petition for Rulemaking seeking reform of the Commission’s terrestrial-use rules and policies in the Big LEO band.¹ With the pleading cycle on Globalstar’s petition having closed, Globalstar’s representatives urged the Commission to move forward expeditiously with a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Globalstar’s proposed Big LEO reforms. As the record in this proceeding demonstrates, these reforms will bring consumers the benefits of increased investment and innovation and more intensive use of broadband spectrum. In particular, the deployment of Globalstar’s proposed terrestrial low-power service (“TLPS”) will quickly add 22 megahertz to the nation’s wireless broadband spectrum inventory as American consumers utilize their smartphones, tablets, and other 802.11-enabled devices to receive this service. No commenter on Globalstar’s Petition has provided any reason the Commission should not act quickly to realize these benefits.

¹ Petition for Rulemaking of Globalstar, Inc., RM-11685 (Nov. 13, 2012).

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In addition, at his meeting with OET staff, Mr. Dooley confirmed the status of experimental license applications recently submitted by Jarvinian. The Commission has granted one of these experimental authorizations, which permits testing of prospective TLPS equipment in the 2.4 GHz band at a location in Cambridge, Massachusetts.² A request for similar experimental authority in Cupertino, California, is pending.³ Mr. Dooley notified OET staff that Jarvinian will submit experimental license applications for additional locations in the near future.

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules,⁴ this *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Regina M. Keeney
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cc: Renee Gregory
Courtney Reinhard
Kate Dumouchel
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Walter Johnston
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² See File No. 0096-EX-PL-2013 (authorization granted Mar. 25, 2013).

³ See File No. 0162-EX-PL-2013.

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).