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SPACE BUREAU AND WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU CLARIFY FILING PROCEDURES FOR RECENT PUBLIC NOTICE

GN Docket No. 23-135; ICFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021 and SAT-AMD-20240322-00061

Comments/Objections/Petitions Due: August 12, 2024

Response to Comments/Objections/Oppositions to Petitions Due: August 22, 2024

Replies to Reponses/Oppositions Due: August 27, 2024

The Space Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau issued a Public Notice in April 2023, seeking comment on filings by Space Explorations Holdings, LLC (SpaceX) and T-Mobile USA Inc. (T-Mobile).¹ On July 12, 2024, the Space Bureau issued a Public Notice (July 12 Public Notice) seeking comment on SpaceX's amendment to those filings, as well as SpaceX's request to modify a separate license, which was posted in GN Docket No. 23-135 on July 16, 2024.²

In this Public Notice, the Space Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau clarify the filing procedures for the July 12 Public Notice. Parties wishing to file documents in response to the July 12 Public Notice regarding the SpaceX applications with ICFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021 and SAT-AMD-20240322-00061 should use the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) and the International Communications Filing System (ICFS), referring to GN Docket No. 23-135 and ICFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021 and SAT-AMD-20240322-00061, by the deadlines identified above. Comments regarding ICFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021 and SAT-AMD-20240322-00061 must be filed in accordance with section 25.154 of the Commission's rules.³

All filings in response to the other file numbers identified in the July 12 Public Notice should be made as indicated in the July 12 Public Notice, referring to section 25.154 of the Commission's rules, unless otherwise noted.⁴

¹ Space Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seek Comment on Filings of SpaceX and T-Mobile Requesting to Establish Supplemental Coverage from Space; Space Exploration Holdings, LLC Application Accepted for Filing, GN Docket No. 23-135, ICFS File No. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021, Public Notice, DA 23-338 (WTB/SB Apr. 28, 2023).

² Satellite Licensing Division and Satellite Programs and Policy Division Information Space Station Applications Accepted for Filing, Public Notice, Report No. SAT-01836 (SB Jul 12, 2024) (July 12 Public Notice), available at https://www.fcc.gov/document/space-station-applications-accepted-filing-29.

³ For assistance submitting a filing in ICFS, please contact ICFSINFO@fcc.gov.

⁴ See July 12 Public Notice at 1; 47 CFR § 25.154.

Filing Requirements. For comments filed using ECFS or by filing paper copies:5

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing.
- Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial courier, or by the U.S. Postal Service. All filings must be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
- Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary are
 accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by the FCC's mailing contractor at 9050
 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. All hand deliveries must be held
 together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of
 before entering the building.
- Commercial courier deliveries (any deliveries not by the U.S. Postal Service) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701.
- Filings sent by U.S. Postal Service First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Priority Mail Express must be sent to 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554.

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Ex Parte Rules. These proceedings, GN 23-135 and ICFS File Nos. SAT-MOD-20230207-00021 and SAT-AMD-20240322-00061, shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's ex parte rules.⁶ Persons making ex parte presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral ex parte presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must: (1) list all persons attending or otherwise participating in the meeting at which the ex parte presentation was made; and (2) summarize all data presented and arguments made during the presentation. If the presentation consisted in whole or in part of the presentation of data or arguments already reflected in the presenter's written comments, memoranda, or other filings in the proceeding, the presenter may provide citations to such data or arguments in his or her prior comments, memoranda, or other filings (specifying the relevant page and/or paragraph numbers where such data or arguments can be found) in lieu of summarizing them in the memorandum. Documents shown or given to Commission staff during ex parte meetings are deemed to be written ex parte presentations and must be filed consistent with section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules. In proceedings governed by section 1.49(f) of the rules or for which the Commission has made available a method of electronic filing, written ex parte presentations and memoranda summarizing oral ex parte presentations, and all attachments thereto, must be filed through the electronic comment filing system available for that proceeding, and must be filed in their native format (e.g., .doc, .xml., .ppt, searchable .pdf). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission's ex parte rules.

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⁵ See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998); 63 FR 24121 (1998).

⁶ See 47 CFR § 1.1200 et seq.

Availability of Documents. Comments, reply comments, and *ex parte* submissions will be available via ECFS. Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Microsoft Word, and/or Adobe Acrobat.

For further information regarding this proceeding, please contact Stephanie Neville of the Space Bureau, at stephanie.neville@fcc.gov or Alice Koethe of the Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at alice.koethe@fcc.gov.

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