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Mr. Peter Hill
Director
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Industry Canada
300 Slater St
Ottawa, ON K1A 0C8

Re: Gazette Notice DGRB-001-09 – Consultation on Revisions to the Framework for Spectrum Actions in Canada

Dear Mr. Hill:

Telesat is pleased to submit its comments in response to the above-referenced consultation.

Telesat fully supports the comments of the CSSIF concerning the inadvisability of auctioning satellite spectrum. Satellite spectrum cannot be equated with terrestrial wireless spectrum, as it is by its very nature trans-national. Any move to auctioning satellite spectrum would be contrary to the national interest.

Telesat has for many years been an active proponent of R&D expenditure – an investment that has returned dividends to the Company and to the nation. While we will continue to invest in R&D, we believe the amounts and timing of such expenditure are best left to management, and not imposed as a condition of licence.

Should the Department require further information concerning Telesat's response to this Gazette Notice, please contact:

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Goldberg" with a stylized flourish at the end.

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enclosure