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**UPDATE**  
**April 6, 2021**

**Upcoming Deadline: Inactive and Non-Responsive Earth Station  
Operators Must Respond to FCC by April 19, 2021**

Earlier this year, the FCC's International Bureau released a [Public Notice](#) listing inactive earth stations and earth station operators that have not responded to communications. These operators must affirm the continued operation of the identified earth stations antennas and the intent to participate in the C-band transition by April 19, 2021 or the authorizations will be terminated in the FCC's IBFS system and removed from the incumbent earth station list.

Earth station operators must respond, if necessary, via IB Docket No. 20-205 in the FCC's ECFS filing system. Responses should include an affirmation that the identified earth station antennae remain operational and should identify the satellite from which each antenna receives service. FCC staff will forward all affirmations of continued operation to the FCC's designated C-band relocation coordinator, RSM, or the relevant satellite operator(s), who will then contact earth station operators directly.

**Any earth station operators that do not respond by April 19, 2021 to affirm the continued operation of their identified earth station antennae will have their registrations terminated.**

Recently, RSM submitted a filing to the FCC that included two lists of incumbent earth stations. The [first list](#) identifies earth station antennae that are no longer operational based on communications with earth station operators or satellite operators. The [second list](#) identifies earth station operators (and associated antennae) that RSM has found to be unresponsive to multiple outreach efforts.

All earth station operators should review the Public Notice, RSM lists and listed registrations.

If you have any questions about this filing requirement or earth stations in general, please contact Scott Friedman at (314) 462-9000 or [sfriedman@cinnamonmueller.com](mailto:sfriedman@cinnamonmueller.com).

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