



PERMITTING DECISION SUMMARY

Lyra-2, Lyra-4

EchoStar Global Australia Pty Ltd

1. EchoStar Global Australia Pty Ltd is an American telecommunications company specialising in providing satellite communication, wireless telecommunications, and internet services.
2. Lyra-2 and Lyra-4 will form part of the Lyra constellation designed to support mobile telecommunications applications, including Internet of Things (IoT) connectivity.
3. Payloads are permitted in line with the [Outer Space and High-altitude Activities Act 2017](#) and the [Outer Space and High-altitude Activities \(Licences and Permits\) Regulations 2017](#).
4. Each payload has been approved by the Minister for Space, on advice from officials across agencies. When approving payloads, the Minister needs to be satisfied that:
 - a. The applicant has taken and will continue to take all reasonable steps to safely manage the operation of the payload.
 - b. The proposed operation of the payload is consistent with New Zealand's international obligations; and
 - c. The applicant has an orbital debris mitigation plan that meets prescribed requirements.
 - d. Despite being satisfied of these matters, the Minister may nevertheless decline a permit if they are not satisfied that the proposed operation of the payload is in New Zealand's national interest.

Date Granted	Authorisation Number	Payload Name	Owner or Operator	Country of Origin
5 June 2025	250460-PPT	Lyra-2 and Lyra-4	EchoStar Global Australia Pty Ltd	Australia