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Mr. James Burtle
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**Re: Ref. #7610 - Application of Bigelow Aerospace, LLC for
Experimental License (OET File No. 0398-EX-PL-2008)**

Dear Mr. Burtle:

This letter is written on behalf of Bigelow Aerospace, LLC (“Bigelow Aerospace”) in further response to the October 17, 2008 correspondence from Leann Nguyen requesting additional information concerning the above-referenced application. In particular, the Experimental Licensing Branch (“Branch”) is seeking a demonstration, consistent with the requirements of the International Bureau and Part 25 of the Commission’s Rules, that the proposed operation will not cause harmful interference to geostationary orbit satellite (“GSO”) networks operating in the Ku-band. The Branch originally requested that Bigelow Aerospace provide such a showing by November 17, 2008, thirty days from the date of the email request.

On November 12, 2008, Bigelow Aerospace sought an additional thirty (30) days, to and including December 17, 2008, within which to provide the requested demonstration. At that time, Bigelow Aerospace cited the complex interference showing required under Sections 25.146 and 25.208 of the Commission’s Rules, and noted that it required additional time to complete the study. Because Bigelow Aerospace is seeking to employ the Ku-band spectrum on an experimental basis, and not for the type of commercial service anticipated for applicants under Section 25.146 of the Commission’s Rules, it is seeking to provide the information that the Branch has requested without engaging outside technical consultants. As a result, preparation of the required showing must be undertaken by Bigelow Aerospace’s engineering staff in addition to their current operational duties. For this reason, Bigelow Aerospace has not yet completed a full interference showing pursuant to Section 25.208, though it is continuing to work with



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International Bureau staff to identify the most effective means to present this showing using available modeling software.

Accordingly, for the reasons outlined herein, Bigelow Aerospace respectfully requests additional time within which to prepare a complete response to the Branch's October 17, 2008 request, and asks that it be permitted to file its response **on or before January 16, 2009**.

Should there be any questions concerning this request, please contact the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

s/ David S. Keir

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