

Kratos Unmanned Aerial Systems, Inc.
STA Experimental License Application
File No. 1279-EX-ST-2021

NARRATIVE EXPLANATION OF OPERATION AND NATURE OF APPLICANT

The information below is copied from the original WR9XRD STA narrative. This STA is being requested due to a delay in flight testing which is causing the experiment to extend beyond the current authorization's expiration date of 15 August 2021.

Kratos Unmanned Aerial Systems, Inc. (KUAS), a division of Kratos Defense and Security Solutions, Inc., based in Sacramento, CA, is an American unmanned aircraft manufacturer. Kratos is meeting the needs of the U.S. Department of Defense and friendly nations around the world by providing high-performance aerial target systems and advanced unmanned tactical aerial platforms. KUAS also provides turn-key aerial target services. Kratos personnel deploy to customer-specified locations to perform aerial target-related missions.

KUAS has ongoing R&D activities to develop and enhance our unmanned aircraft family of products for the US Air Force, Army, Navy, and other Government agencies which necessitates a longer and more flexible period of testing than is typically available at Government test ranges. We are pursuing a Special Temporary Authority to enhance our testing schedule and to identify (and correct) system problems early.

We are leveraging the commercially available radio systems from Persistent Systems to accomplish our testing goals. All operations will cease immediately in case of any reported interference and not resume until the complaint is resolved to the reasonable satisfaction of the complainant.

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