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## HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Experimental Radio Services P.O. Box 358320 Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5320

Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority:

Northrop Grumman Corporation's FCC Form 442 Application for a New

Experimental Radio Station (Filed May 26, 1999)

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of Northrop Grumman Corporation ("Northrop Grumman") there is submitted herewith, in triplicate, a request for Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to operate a new experimental facility located near Linthicum, Maryland in accordance with the above-referenced pending FCC Form 442 application. Northrop Grumman has been contracted by the U. S. Air Force Research Lab to produce and test advanced airborne surveillance hardware. Low power testing of the hardware is scheduled to commence on June 15, 1999. Therefore, Northrop Grumman respectfully requests that STA be granted on or before June 11, 1999, so that operations may commence on June 15, 1999. Northrop Grumman also requests a STA term of 180 days or until the pending FCC Form 442 application is granted by the Commission.

The enclosed STA request consists of a certification bearing the original signature of Steven F. Balaz, Spectrum Licensing Specialist of Northrop Grumman; the requisite Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification bearing the original signature of John H. Mullan, Vice President and Corporate Secretary of Northrop Grumman; and a date-stamped copy of Northrop Grumman's pending FCC Form 442 application that was filed with the Commission on May 26, 1999.

Also enclosed are the FCC Form 159 and a check made payable to the "Federal Communications Commission," in the amount of \$45.00 to cover the requisite filing fee.

Questions concerning this filing should be directed to the undersigned at (202) 371-6115.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Fowlkes

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**Enclosures** 

cc: John H. Mullan, Esq. (w/encl.) Steven F. Balaz (w/encl.)