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Magalie Roman Salas, Esq.
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 Located in Melville, New York**

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 fixed experimental facility located in Melville, New York in accordance with the above-referenced FCC Form 442 application. Northrop Grumman requires this grant of STA to begin conducting tests in order to fulfill its contract with the US Navy (Contract No. N00024-98-NR-05090) to integrate the Raytheon AN/SPS-73 radar into the Northrop Grumman AN/SYS-2A(V)5 Navy shipboard combat system. The testing is tentatively scheduled to commence on September 1, 1999. Therefore, Northrop Grumman respectfully requests that STA be granted on or before August 31, 1999, so that operations may commence on September 1, 1999. Northrop Grumman also requests a STA term of 90 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 copy of

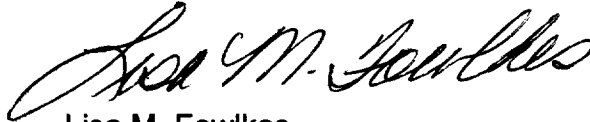
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Northrop Grumman's underlying FCC Form 442 application that is being simultaneously filed with the Commission under separate cover.

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.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lisa M. Fowlkes".

Lisa M. Fowlkes
Attorney for Northrop Grumman Corporation

Enclosures