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

Re: FCC Form 442 Application of Northrop Grumman Corporation for a New Experimental Radio Service Authorization.

Dear Ms. Secretary:

On behalf of Northrop Grumman Corporation ("Northrop Grumman"), there is submitted herewith, on FCC Form 442, an application for a new experimental radio service authorization under Part 5 of the Commission's Rules. Northrop Grumman is applying for this new authorization in order to test an upgraded airborne radar system prior to reinstallation on board a surveillance support aircraft as required under a contract with the U.S. Customs Service.

Also enclosed are a 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.

Any questions concerning this filing may be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures