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

**Re: FCC Form 442 Application for Modification of the Experimental Radio Service
Authorization for Call Sign WB2XIY**

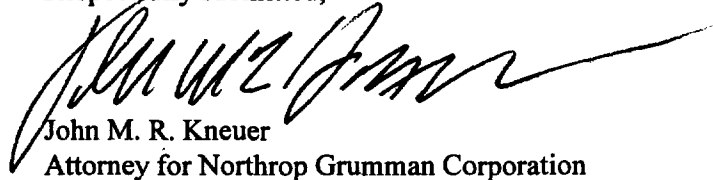
Dear Ms. Secretary:

On behalf of Northrop Grumman Corporation ("NGC"), there is submitted herewith, on FCC Form 442, an application for modification of the experimental radio service authorization for Call Sign WB2XIY. Northrop Grumman seeks to extend the height of the currently-authorized airborne experimental transmitter up to 5500 meters AMSL in order to comply with the testing requirements a recently awarded DARPA contract. However, Northrop Grumman requests that the modified license for Call Sign WB2XIY retain the developmental (XD) station class because Northrop Grumman will continue its research and development efforts at the facility in parallel with, and subsequent to, the term of the DARPA contract.

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
cc: Carl Huie (via facsimile)