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Office of Engineering & Technology  
Experimental Licensing Branch  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Pending Application of Panasonic Avionics Corporation for Special Temporary Authorization (ELS File # 0655-EX-ST-2012)**

Dear Sir or Madam:

By this letter, Panasonic Avionics Corporation (“Panasonic”) supplements its pending application for a six-month Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) to conduct ground testing of its GSM picocell system (called “eXPhone”) onboard parked aircraft at two locations: Melbourne, FL International Airport and Griffiss International Airport in Rome, NY.<sup>1</sup> Panasonic desires to provide additional information it believes will be useful in the Commission’s consideration of the STA application.

In the STA application, Panasonic requested an authorization date of September 15, 2012.<sup>2</sup> Recently, Panasonic confirmed with its airline partners that aircraft will be available for testing at the Rome, NY test site for a period beginning October 1, 2012 and ending October 8, 2012, subject to the Commission’s grant of the requested STA.

Therefore, to the extent possible, Panasonic requests that the grant of the STA application be issued prior to the proposed testing period beginning October 1, 2012, and with sufficient time for Panasonic to fully comply with any Special Conditions, such as coordination efforts with local licensees, that may be attached to the STA.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

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<sup>1</sup> See ELS File # 0655-EX-ST-2012, filed August 17, 2012.

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Douglas A. Svor*

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