



**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SATELLITE, DATA,  
AND INFORMATION SERVICE

September 10, 2019

Peter Jorgensen  
University of South Florida  
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RE: NOAA Commercial Remote Sensing Regulatory Affairs License Inquiries

Dear Mr. Jorgensen:

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Commercial Remote Sensing Regulatory Affairs Office (CRSRA) has received and reviewed your Initial Contact Forms submitted on September 10, 2019. By the authority given to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce under the National and Commercial Space Programs Act of 2010 (P.L. 111-314), and as delegated to NOAA, we have assessed that your proposed mission will not be required to apply for a NOAA operator's license. This determination was made on the information provided which stated the satellites will not have any Earth sensing capability. This does not relieve you of the obligation to receive any other U.S. Government licenses, permissions or permits.

This applies to the ARCE-1A, ARCE-1B and ARCE-1C mission only. If the factual circumstances of the information provided change, please resubmit your Initial Contact Form. Additionally, please contact CRSRA with any future satellite missions you may plan to operate to obtain a licensing determination on that specific mission.

Sincerely,

*Alan Robinson*

(for)Tahara D. Dawkins  
Director, Commercial Remote Sensing  
Regulatory Affairs

cc: Glenn Tallia, NOAA GC



