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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Engineering and Technology
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Washington, DC. 20554

Re: Request for Expedited Processing

**BAE SYSTEMS Information and Electronic Systems Integration Inc.
Application For Special Temporary Authority
File No. 0748-EX-ST-2004 (Conf. #: EL291898)**

Dear Sirs:

On behalf of BAE SYSTEMS Information and Electronic Systems Integration Inc. ("BAE SYSTEMS"), this letter is to accompany the above-referenced application ("STA Request") wherein BAE SYSTEMS requests that the Commission grant special temporary authority ("STA") to permit BAE SYSTEMS to operate the facilities (the "Facilities") specified in the STA Request.

As explained in the STA Request, due to the requirements associated with the subject military contract, operation of the requested facilities is required to be commenced as close to January 10, 2005, as possible, and as a result expedited processing is requested.

As the Commission is aware, BAE Systems manufactures and tests various antennas for numerous classified customers. Operation of the Facilities under this STA is necessary for BAE Systems to implement its near term responsibilities under the subject government contract, to meet the company's commitment on deliveries to the customer, and to conduct testing for the military customer to demonstrate compliance with acceptance test criteria. The timely commencement of operations under the requested STA is critical to BAE Systems' support of Homeland Security as well as war efforts.

Due to the specific requirements applicable to the system, operation of the requested Facilities is required to be commenced as close to January 10, 2005, as possible. Because of the imminent commencement date, and in light of the intervening holidays, BAE Systems respectfully submits that expedited processing of the instant request is appropriate and justifiable.

For the foregoing reasons, expedited review and approval of this STA Request is in the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Should any questions arise with respect to the instant STA Request, please do not hesitate to contact undersigned counsel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jeffrey Rummel', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

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Electronic Systems Integration Inc.