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Question 7: Purpose of Experiment

This application is being made to support the testing and evaluation of ELTA radar EL/M-2112. These tests will be conducted to test and verify new radar processing software and algorithms, develop equipment designs, conduct production tests and equipment calibration, and demonstrate products to customers. Tests will be conducted on the roof of ELTA's facility located at 11840 West Market Place, Fulton, MD in Howard County. This building is a single-story structure located in a mixed-use business development. The antenna, transmitter, and receiver are mounted on the antenna support structure. Tests will also be conducted at 4650 South Coach Drive, Tucson, AZ. The antenna for the Tucson tests will be mounted on a tripod located on the ground.

It is essential that these tests be performed outside of a laboratory or anechoic chamber to create the necessary radar environment that includes land and foliage clutter, ground moving vehicles, birds, fixed and rotary wing aircraft, second time around radar targets and clutter, and other atmospheric disturbances that affect radar performance.

The EL/M-2112 system is a linear FM CW radar for ground surveillance applications. The system will transmit in the 10250 – 10500 MHz frequency band from a slotted waveguide array antenna. The array has a horizontal beamwidth of 90 degrees and a vertical beamwidth of 3 degrees with a cosecant squared pattern.