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HAND DELIVERY

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

**Re: Request for a 180-Day Grant of Special Temporary Authority for
Northrop Grumman Corporation to Operate a Mobile Experimental
Facility in either Ocean City, MD; Annapolis, MD; or Norwalk, CT**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of Northrop Grumman Corporation ("Northrop Grumman") there is submitted herewith, in triplicate, a request for a 180-day grant of Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to operate a mobile experimental facility in either Ocean City, Maryland; Annapolis, Maryland or Norwalk, Connecticut. Northrop Grumman requires the 180-day grant of STA to conduct a qualification test to determine whether a Telephonics model AN/APS-143(v)3 radar device is suitable for use as a coastal maritime radionavigational system for overseas installation. Northrop Grumman has only obtained temporary access to the radar device; therefore, the testing is scheduled to commence on June 9, 2000. Accordingly, Northrop Grumman respectfully requests that the 180-day STA be granted on or before Thursday, June 8, 2000, so that the tests may commence as scheduled on June 9, 2000.

The enclosed STA request consists of a certification bearing the original signature of Steven F. Balaz, Spectrum Licensing Specialist of Northrop Grumman and the requisite Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification bearing the original signature of John H. Mullan, Vice President and Corporate Secretary of Northrop Grumman.

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Also enclosed are the 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.

Questions concerning this filing should be directed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John M. R. Kneuer", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

John M. R. Kneuer
Attorney for Northrop Grumman Corporation

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Carl Huie (w/enclosures)