

Request for Special Temporary Authority and Expedited Action

Northrop Grumman Ship Systems, Inc. (“NGSS”) requests expedited grant of Special Temporary Authority (“STA”). The STA grant is urgently required to test and demonstrate equipment associated with the US Coast Guard’s (“USCG”) Deepwater Program at NGSS’s shipyard facility in Pascagoula, Mississippi, under contract number DTCG23-02-C-2DW001.

The Department of Homeland Security (“DHS”) and the U.S. Coast Guard have contracted to build a new class of ships known as the National Security Cutter (“NSC”). These ships are being designed and constructed under the USCG’s Deepwater Program by Integrated Coast Guard Systems (“ICGS”), an LLC partnership of Lockheed Martin Corporation and NGSS.

Grant of the STA is required by July 23, 2007, to support the ship delivery schedule. The government frequencies between 4 and 412 MHz on this request have been recommended by the USCG.

Subsequent to the grant of the STA, NGSS and ICGS will coordinate with government and non-government incumbent users prior to testing on the specific frequencies covered under the STA to avoid and prevent possible interference.

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