

**United States of America
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
EXPERIMENTAL
SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION**

EXPERIMENTAL

(Nature of Service)

WP9XVW

(Call Sign)

XT MO

(Class of Station)

0633-EX-ST-2020

(File Number)

NAME Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc.

This Special Temporary Authorization is granted upon the express condition that it may be terminated by the Commission at any time without advance notice or hearing if in its discretion the need for such action arises. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a finding by the Commission that the authority herein granted is or will be in the public interest beyond the express terms hereof.

This Special Temporary Authorization shall not vest in the grantee any right to operate the station nor any right in the use of the frequencies designated in the authorization beyond the term hereof, nor in any other manner than authorized herein. Neither the authorization nor the right granted hereunder shall be assigned or otherwise transferred in violation of the Communications Act of 1934. This authorization is subject to the right of use of control the Government of the United States conferred by Section 706 of the Communications Act of 1934.

Special Temporary Authority is hereby granted to operate the apparatus described below:

Purpose Of Operation:

The Antares Launch Vehicle will be utilized to deliver the Cygnus Spacecraft to Low Earth Orbit. Radio Frequency emitters on the launch vehicle serve two purposes for operation. One purpose is

Station Locations

- (1) MOBILE: From WFF, VA launch into low earth orbit., centered around NL 37-50-02; WL 75-29-16
- (2) MOBILE: From WFF, VA launch into low earth orbit., centered around NL 37-50-02; WL 75-29-16
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Frequency Information

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Frequency	Station Class	Emission Designator	Authorized Power	Frequency Tolerance (+/-)
2239.76-2243.24 MHz	MO	3M48F1D	6.3 W (ERP)	0.002 %
2267.55-2271.45 MHz	MO	3M90G1D	5.4 W (ERP)	0.002 %

This authorization effective August 01, 2020 and
will expire 3:00 A.M. EST February 02, 2021

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Frequency	Station Class	Emission Designator	Authorized Power	Frequency Tolerance (+/-)
2285.55-2289.45 MHz	MO	3M90G1D	4.7 W (ERP)	0.002 %

MOBILE: From WFF, VA launch into low earth orbit., centered around NL 37-50-02; WL 75-29-16

Frequency	Station Class	Emission Designator	Authorized Power	Frequency Tolerance (+/-)
5758-5772 MHz	MO	14M0P0N	389.1 W (ERP)	0.05 %

Special Conditions:

- (1) This STA is limited to telemetry and tracking operations for a single Antares launch to support the delivery of Cygnus capsule to Low Earth Orbit, as part of the NASA Commercial Orbital Transportation Services (COTS) program, Space Act Agreement NNJ16GX06B. This STA will expire as soon as the launch has been completed or 1 February 2021, whichever occurs first. Any future launches shall submit applications to the FCC to be re-coordinated with the NTIA.
- (2) All transmissions in the band 2200-2290 MHz shall comply with national and international power flux density limits, unless otherwise coordinated and agreed. PFD analysis and exceedances shall be provided in the FCC application and provided to the NTIA for US Government review.
- (3) Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. shall be aware that future non-federal launches will be considered on a case-by-case basis, especially for requests in the band 2200-2290 MHz, and Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. shall have no expectations that future launches will be approved.
- (4) 60 days prior to transmitting at Wallops Island, Virginia, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. shall coordinate and schedule their operations with the NASA GSFC Spectrum Management Office (NASA-DL-GSFC-Spectrum-Management@nasa.gov) and Felipe Arroyo (felipe.arroyo-1@nasa.gov, 757.824.1623, NASA WFF SMO). Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems, Inc. is required to provide, as a minimum, launch date/time/window and planned first- and second- stage trajectories, transmission frequencies with associated earth stations and duration/cut- off times, and pre-launch testing schedules.

Special Conditions:

- (5) As soon as possible, but no later than 30 business days prior to the planned launch, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. is required to provide, as a minimum, launch date/time/window and planned first- and second-stage trajectories, transmission frequencies with associated earth stations and duration/cut-off time to Jimmy Nguyen (jimmy.nguyen@us.af.mil, AFSMO), Felipe Arroyo (felipe.arroyo-1@nasa.gov, NASA/WFF), Scott Galbraith (vincent.s.galbraith@nasa.gov, NASA/GSFC), Stephen Horan (stephen.j.horan@nasa.gov, NASA/LaRC), Kenneth Dudley (kenneth.l.dudley@nasa.gov, NASA/LaRC), NOAA Satellite Operations Control Center (Matt.G.Sullivan@noaa.gov), NASA GSFC Spectrum Management Office (NASA-DL-GSFC-Spectrum-Management@nasa.gov), Johnnie Best, (johnnie.w.best1@navy.mil, NMSC), NOAA Satellite Operations Control Center, Wallops Island at (757) 824-7360, philip.l.whaley@noaa.gov, and Cathy Sham (catherine.c.sham@nasa.gov, NASA JSC SMO). In the event of last-minute changes, 48-hour notice is required.
- (6) Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. shall coordinate all operations with the Mid-Atlantic Area Frequency Coordinator (MIDLANTAFC), at least 7-business days in advance of proposed operations at Wallops Island, Virginia. USN-Mid-Atlantic Area Frequency Coordinator, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division, Mr. Mikel R. Ryan, NIPR: mikel.ryan@navy.mil, SIPR: mikel.ryan@navy.smil.mil, DSN: 342-1532, COM: 301-342-1532 and Mr. Robert Goddard, NIPR: robert.n.goddard@navy.mil, SIPR: robert.goddard@navy.smil.mil, COM: 301-342-1194, DSN: 342-1194.
- (7) The STOP BUZZER POC information for launch operations shall be provided to NTIA (bmitchell@ntia.gov). This phone shall be manned 24/7.
- (8) Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. shall keep a log of all transmissions in the band 2200-2290 MHz that shall be provided to the NTIA after the mission. This log shall include, at a minimum, the date, time, frequency, e.i.r.p density, pointing direction of the antennae. The log shall be provided to the following NTIA personnel no later than three (3) weeks after completion of the mission: Brandon Mitchell at bmitchell@ntia.gov, Ed Drocella at edrocella@ntia.gov.

Special Conditions:

- (9) Due to potential harmful interference to naval activities, Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, Inc. RF operations plan shall be submitted, at least 60 days prior to planned launch date, to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD), Mr. James Moneyhon 540.653.3477, or james.moneyhon@navy.mil, Monique Winslow (540) 653-1211, monique.winslow.ctr@navy.mil, Mr. A. Jason Verdugo, (540) 653-9590 – Anthony.J.Verdugo@navy.mil, Phillip Scyphers, (540) 653-6071, phillip.scyphers@navy.mil, Group email box: W_DLGR_NSWC_FTMA_FM@navy.mil. for assessment. In order to mitigate the potential for interference with these naval activities, five blackout zones (BOZs) shall be assumed as follows:
- (1) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 22N160W
 - (2) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 33.25N119.57W
 - (3) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 4.11N175.2W;
 - (4) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 57.46N152.38W.
 - (5) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 32.37N106.47W
- These BOZs shall be implemented, unless otherwise coordinated and agreed to by the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD). In addition, Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems, Inc. (NGIS) must also comply with any and all restrictions that may be levied by NSWCDD. Coordination of the Northrop Grumman Innovation Systems, Inc. (NGIS) operations schedule and timeline, and all restrictions levied by the NSWCDD, including imposition and implementation of any BOZs, shall be coordinated through NASA JSC Spectrum Manager, Cathy Sham (catherine.c.sham@nasa.gov).