

**EXHIBIT 1**  
**Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation**  
**Application for Special temporary Authority (STA)**

**REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED ACTION**

Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation respectfully requests expedited consideration of and action on the attached application. The Airborne Surveillance Aircraft is to be used in coordinated operations with law enforcement / military vessels in a Homeland Defense scenario. It is critical that Northrop Grumman, Small Surveillance Aircraft IPT, be able to test and demonstrate the Airborne Surveillance, Command and Control capability in Manassas, Virginia and Fort Irwin, California, during the first two weeks of June.