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Wireless Telecommunications Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
1270 Fairfield Road
Gettysburg, PA 17325

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached is an application by Northrop Grumman requesting a Special Temporary Authority (STA) to utilize Broadband Radio Service (BRS) channel H3 and Educational Broadband Service (EBS) channel G4, whose frequency ranges are from 2.674 GHz to 2.680 GHz and 2.680 GHz to 2.686 GHz, respectively. Northrop Grumman requests blanket authority to place base stations within the Geographic Service Areas of BRS station WNTQ214 and EBS station KNZ71, which authorize use of channel H3 and channel G4, respectively, throughout most of New York City. . Consents from the licensees of these two stations are attached to the applications.

The reason for this request is that Northrop Grumman Information Technology was recently awarded the contract for the Citywide Mobile Wireless Network by New York City's Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DoITT) for a secure, high-speed broadband wireless network. This wireless network will be used by various user groups in New York City that include NYPD, FDNY, the Department of Transportation, the Office of Emergency Management, etc. (Note: Grant of this STA request would supersede an existing STA with call sign WC9XSX, file number 0744-EX-ST-2006, which only covers three sites in lower Manhattan. Because Northrop Grumman is now moving towards implementation of the network across all five boroughs, this STA request will permit expanded equipment testing and deployment.

The Northrop Grumman Information Technology solution for this project will utilize equipment manufactured by IPWireless that operates in the 2.5 GHz band. The IPWireless equipment functionality is optimized using 10 MHz of contiguous spectrum.

If there are any questions regarding this request, they can be directed to the following point-of-contact:

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