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VIA EXPRESS MAIL

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)
Experimental Radio Service
P.O. Box 358320
Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5320
Attn: Mellon Bank of Pittsburgh, PA

Re: SeaStarTM Experimental Radio Services Renewal Application/Form
159/Remittance of Payment for Second Call Sign Number

Dear Sir or Madam:

On December 9, 1998, your office processed a Form 405 (Application for Renewal of Radio Station License in Specified Services) submitted by Orbital Sciences Corporation ("OSC") for renewal of the radio stations necessary to the operation of the Orbital SeaStarTM satellite program. *See* Attachment. Your office, however, rejected this application for processing because, instead of having two (2) separate \$45.00 dollar fees for the two CallSign Numbers/Licenses enumerated on the form, the application had only one (1) \$45.00 dollar check.

To remedy this problem, Nancy Hey (202-418-2432) of the FCC's Experimental Licensing Branch instructed us to submit the enclosed Form 159 and a check for an additional \$45.00. Even though Section C (Payment Information) on the form contains references to two (2) FCC CallSign/ID numbers, please note that this correspondence includes only one (1) check, because we previously submitted the other check. The enclosed payment will cover the application fee for the second CallSign/License requested by OSC in its Form 405. *See* Attachment.

Please also note that a "STAMP & RETURN" copy is enclosed herein. Please send this copy back to us in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

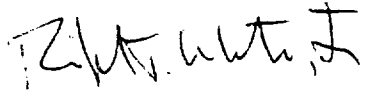
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Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or comments about anything contained herein, please feel free to contact me at (202) 371-9100

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. T. White, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

Richard T. White, Jr.

Encls.

cc: Carl Huie (fax: 202-418-1918) (w/o attachments)