

To Whom It May Concern.

The requested FCC license is for the operation of HF Radar equipment owned and operated by the University of South Florida. The University of South Florida is a state university and has been granted fee exempt status by the FCC. Therefore, this application is fee exempt. Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Dr. Clifford R. Merz, PE

Program and HF Radar Operations Director, Coastal Ocean Monitoring and Prediction System (COMPS) (<http://comps.marine.usf.edu/>)

University of South Florida
Research Ocean Engineer
140 Seventh Avenue South, MSL Room 136-M
St. Petersburg, FL 33701
(727) 553-3729 (Office)
(727) 553-1189 (Fax)
(727) 409-0770 (Mobile)
cmerz@usf.edu



**UNIVERSITY OF
SOUTH FLORIDA**
College of MARINE SCIENCE