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TO: Jotron AS

ATTN: Otto Holm

REMARKS: Please find attached the grant of your request for waiver of Part 80 rules to allow for the certification of Tron AIS-SART. You will need to submit both the letter granting your request for waiver and the U.S. Coast Guard's July 20, 2010 letter with your application for certification.

FOR THE REASONS INDICATED BELOW

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**Federal Communications Commission** 

P.O.Box 979097 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000 USA

Tjodalyng: 29.07.2010

Request for waiver to allow Certification and Use of Tron AIS-SART, Automatic Identification System Search and Rescue Transmitter.

Jotron AS, as the inventor of this Automatic Identification System Search and Rescue Transmitter, hereby request waiver to allow Certification and Use of Tron AIS-SART.

This is a new type of search and rescue equipment using the AIS system to locate a survival craft or distressed vessel by transmitting a unique identification code and Global Positioning System (GPS) coordinates to all AIS-enabled devices within VHF radio range.

Specifically, the Tron AIS-SART transmits on the international AIS channels (AIS 1 – 161.975 MHz and AIS 2 – 162.025 MHz) in the maritime VHF band, using a modulation scheme of Self-Organizing Time Division Multiple Access (SOTDMA) employing Gaussian minimum shift keying.

During 2009/2010 Jotron AS together with USCG have performed a lot of live tests, and conclude that Tron AIS-SART will enhance marine safety by improving the efficiency of search and rescue operations.

The International Maritime Organization has amended the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS) regulations to permit AIS SARTs as an alternative to GMDSS SARTs operating in the 9.2-9.5 GHz (9 GHz) band, effective January 1, 2010.

For and behalf of

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Jotron AS
Attn: Eirik Storjordet
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Dear Mr. Storjordet:

Thank you for your submitted documentation for the Jotron, Tron-Automatic Identification System (AIS) Search and Rescue Transponder (SART). Based on the manufacturer's documentation and test results from Bundesamt fur Seeschifffahrt und Hydrographie (BSH), we are satisfied that the Jotron, Tron AIS SART meets IEC 61097-14. This equipment is not subject to U.S. Coast Guard type-approval per Title 46 CFR subpart 159.005 nor should it be marketed as having received such type-approval.

If you have any further questions please contact Mr. Maurice Ponder (202) 372-1384.

Sincerely,

Commander, U.S. Coast Guard

Chief, Systems Engineering Division

By direction

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