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In the Matter of the Application of

ORBITAL COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION)

For Authority to)
Construct a Low-Orbit Mobile)
Satellite System)

File No. 22-DSS-MP-90(20)

SCI Systems, Inc. reviewed the referenced filing carefully and fully supports ORBCOM's request to construct a Low-Orbit Mobile Satellite System, providing affordable two-way mobile communication and position determination. SCI (a Fortune 500 corporation with 10,000 employees, 19 plants worldwide, over \$1B in 1989 sales, and a world leader in the aerospace and electronics industry) firmly believes that the low earth orbiting system, as described, is not only technically achievable in the projected time span, but is also the most economically viable approach to providing the proposed services.

Through its "911" type services and emergency services for the handicapped, ORBCOM will provide much needed services, which have been overlooked by other currently proposed systems. The United States will establish a new level of world leadership in search and rescue services, collection of environmental data, recovery of

stolen property, and tracking of valuable/hazardous cargo, as well as personal and business communications.

Since the satellite orbits selected by ORBCOM will cover virtually every point on earth, an international market will surely develop, providing a revenue flow to the United States, thereby improving the current balance of trade deficit. Any delay in approving the ORBCOM system may allow foreign developers of a similar system to capture the international, and possibly the United States market. SCI wholeheartedly endorses the Orbital Communications Corporation application and urges you to approve this greatly needed service expeditiously.

Respectfully submitted,



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