

**EXHIBIT A – REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY**

NewCom International, Inc.. (“NewCom”), pursuant to Section 25.120 of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.120, hereby requests Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) for short-term transmit and receive testing of a non-common carrier fixed earth station operating in the conventional Ku-band. The proposed STA is required to restore communications to critical infrastructure in Joplin, Missouri damaged by a series of tornados on May 22, 2011. STA will be used exclusively to communicate with the Satmex-6 satellite positioned at 113 degrees west longitude. STA authority is sought to operate two (2) identical Patriot 1.2 meter antennas for a period of 60 days beginning May 27, 2011, concluding July 26, 2011. Grant of this request will serve the public interest by restoring disrupted communications to critical infrastructure and disaster recovery personnel in Joplin.

NewCom is a premium provider of advanced fixed satellite services, specializing in custom engineered solutions for government, telecom, healthcare, oil & gas and multimedia end users. NewCom is a leading provider of emergency communications services for government, military and law enforcement, and has designed its Emergency Communications Response (“ECR”) solution as a cost-effective contingency plan or back up should regular communications go down, capable of supporting unified voice, video, data and content applications seamlessly. ECR also supports on-the-go communications center for mobile military and public safety corps units.

Subsequent to a serious tornado strike in Joplin on May 22, 2011, NewCom was contacted by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (“FEMA”) and Red Cross concerning the availability of ECR systems for rapid deployment. On May 25, NewCom agreed to provide two ECR systems to FEMA/Red Cross at no cost to either end user. The ECR systems en route to Joplin each involve a 1.2 meter Patriot fly-away antenna, which will be deployed in the parking lot of Freeman Hospital (37-03-15.35 N / 94-31-27.59 W). Once deployed in Joplin, these antennas will support duplex voice and data services using the Satmex-6 as the underlying transmission medium to communicate with a cooperating antenna at NewCom’s Miami teleport, which is interconnected with extensive telecommunications infrastructure in Miami.

The transmit and receive carriers NewCom seeks to operate pursuant to STA will be within the conventional Ku-band (14.0-14.5 GHz earth-to-space and 11.7 -12.2 GHz space-to-earth). Transmit carrier will be a 1024 Kbps circuit with 0.66 forward error correction coding and QPSK phase RF modulation. Receive carrier will be 12 Mbps circuit with 3/4 forward error correction coding and 8PSK phase RF modulation. Maximum RF power transmitted from the 1.2m Patriot stations will not exceed 6 dBW/MHz and maximum EIRP density will not exceed 49.2 dBW/MHz or 25.22 dBW/4KHz. The proposed Patriot antennas are fully in compliance with FCC orbital spacing obligations. Moreover, the accompanying radiation hazard analysis (“Exhibit C”) demonstrates that the earth station can be operated safely within the guidelines established by the Office of Engineering and Technology (“OET”) for human exposure to RF electromagnetic fields.

In summary, grant of this STA will enable NewCom to provide critical communications to the disaster recovery effort in Joplin, Missouri, and will support FEMA and Red Cross personnel. Both antennas proposed for operation under STA comply with 2-degree orbital spacing obligations and pose no interference threat to other occupants of the Ku-band. Accordingly, this application is in the public interest and should be granted.