

CONFIDENTIALITY STATEMENT

In response to FCC rule 0.459 ARINC submits the following:

ARINC is seeking confidentiality of attachments only to our pending Experimental STA request based upon the nature of the testing involved. As stated in our previous attachments, ARINC is requesting an STA in order to fulfill a Federal law enforcement request to assist them with a means by which Federal authorities could be notified by way of an ACARS datalink message in the event of an emergency aboard an aircraft.

Due to recent events that have occurred in the United States, ARINC believes that it is best the attachments to pending FCC file # 00391-EX-ST-2001, not be made available to the public at large.

In regards to the proposed frequency that ARINC has requested, please note that frequency 136.700 MHz is assigned to ARINC exclusively in the United States. In addition to being the licensee of this station, ARINC is also manages this frequency along with all of other aeronautical enroute spectrum between the frequency ranges of 128.825 MHz to 132.000 MHz and 136.500 MHz to 136.975 MHz. Based upon our knowledge of the where existing stations are currently located within this spectrum, we do not foresee any interference problems with the assignment of 136.700 MHz at our headquarters in Annapolis, MD.

ARINC seeks a grant of our STA request as soon as possible due to the time constraints that have been placed upon us. If the Commission believes that this confidentiality request will slow down the processing of our application, and the Commission believes that this explanation does not warrant confidential treatment of our application, then we request that the application be made public and the STA request granted.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact me at telephone number 410-266-4142, fax, number 410-266-2047, or e-mail me at ccw@arinc.com.

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