

December 22, 1999

Federal Communications Commission
Experimental Radio Service
PO Box 358320
Pittsburgh, PA 15251-5320

Dear Sir or Madam:

Comwave would like to file a request for Special Temporary Authority (STA) on behalf of our customer New England Wireless, for the SD2500 - 25-watt digital transmitting system purchased for use in the state of Vermont. A certification application has been submitted; however, I feel certain that you will not have substantial time to address the application prior to the necessary date. All tests have been conducted per parts 21 and 74 and have met the operational guidelines, therefore, I feel confident that the proposed certification will be granted without incident.

New England Wireless is an ITFS provider and has a commitment to commence operation by January 1, 2000. This system will be used as an upgrade to an existing site in Vermont. The transmitting system is composed of eight model #SD2500 transmitters manufactured by Thomcast Communications, Comwave Division and will operate within the 2500 - 2700 MHz frequency band. The effective radiated power is 25 watts average per channel and the emission type is 6M00D7W.

I assure you this request is being filed to serve the public interest. If this request is granted and, for reasons unbeknownst to us, the certification application is dismissed or denied then, of course, New England Wireless would cease operation.

I appreciate your assistance and thank you for your attention to this request. I trust that based on the information provided within this letter, you'll grant us the STA Comwave petitioned. Due to the urgency of this matter kindly send your reply via e-mail and forward a hard copy at your earliest convenience

Sincerely,



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