

EXHIBIT A

Waterway Communications System LLC, requests authority to operate in the Experimental (Developmental) Radio Service for the purposes of testing and evaluating radio transmitting equipment to be employed in an Inland Waterways Communications System in accordance with the Commission's allocation of the 216-220 MHz band in Gen. Docket No. 80-1. Additionally, an objective of the Experimental program will be to test potential interference to television Channel 10 and 13 reception from IWCS operation in order to gain actual field experience with regard to station siting criteria and the protection criteria set forth at Section 80.215 (h) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

We also request authority to operate in the 150-170 MHz band for the purposes of testing and evaluating of radio transmitting equipment, service demonstrations, and developmental activities related to improvement of the Automated Maritime Telecommunications Service and maintenance functions.

We will essentially operate the systems in the same manner as authorized through previous licenses.