IMPORTANT NOTICE TO APPLICANTS

A. AGENTS SIGNING APPLICATIONS ON BEHALF OF APPLICANTS

The Commission does not require applicants to use the services of other parties to sign and submit applications on their behalf. The selection of agents to perform such function is solely at the discretion of the applicant. Applicants authorizing other parties to sign and submit applications on their behalf remain responsible for the contents of applications and the actions of the agent. Any disagreement between applicants and agents are civil matters that must be resolved between the applicant and the agent.

The FCC reserves the right to contact ***applicants directly at any time***, whether or not an agent is involved. Where an attorney acts as an agent, the FCC will acknowledge the attorney as required by Section 1.12 of the Rules.

B. CONTRACT TEST FACILITIES

The FCC requires test labs performing tests for purposes related to equipment authorization to file a description of their facilities with the FCC pursuant to Section 2.948. Applicants for equipment authorization must have their equipment measured by a test lab that has complied with Section 2.948 of the Rules. Labs that have indicated they are available to perform Part 15 testing for the public are listed on the "Contract Test Sites" list provided by the FCC as a public service. The FCC takes no responsibility regarding the capability of labs appearing on the list to perform the required measurements. It is the responsibility of applicants to select a test lab capable of measuring their specific device. Labs appearing on the list are independent, and ***are not in any way associated with the FCC, do not perform test on behalf of the FCC, are not endorsed or approved by the FCC, and may not advertise or otherwise imply approval of their test site by the FCC***.

C. RECEIPT OF ORIGINAL GRANT COPIES BY PARTIES OTHER THAN THE APPLICANT

There is no requirement that applicants authorize other parties, (i.e., agents, consultants, etc.) to receive the original copy of their grants. The original grant copy is the property of the applicant and must be surrendered upon demand by the FCC, in the case of withdrawal of the grant. If the applicant authorizes the FCC to forward the original copy of grants to other parties, no additional copy will be provided.

D. UNACCEPTABLE LABEL FORMATS

Any label format that is not representative of the actual label to be placed on production units upon grant of an application is unacceptable. Unacceptable label formats are normally, (1) standardized/boilerplate labels designed by test firms that are the same for all applicants, except for the ID, model number, etc. and other nomenclature unique to a specific applicant and, (2) label formats typed on the letterhead of the applicant and signed by the applicant, that usually include the FCC ID and compliance statements, when required.

The applicant for equipment authorization is responsible for designing proposed label formats that are representative of production labels, and that comply with Sections 2.925, 2.926 and any other rule sections applicable to the specific device to be labelled.

E. CAUTION AGAINST PRINTING LABELS IN QUANTITY, LABELLING DEVICES PRIOR TO APPROVAL AND FAILURE TO LABEL AUTHORIZED DEVICES PROPERLY

Labels should not be printed in quantity as there is no guarantee that the Commission will issue a grant to validate a specific FCC ID. Section 2.926(e) of the Rules prohibits displaying the FCC ID on the label of unauthorized devices, including evaluation test samples and trade show samples. An authorized device may not be labelled with the FCC ID until the specific FCC ID has been validated by a Grant of Equipment Authorization (FCC Form 731A).

Where an authorized device is not labelled with the ***EXACT FCC ID*** specified in the grant it is considered unauthorized. Improper labelling of an authorized device is a violation of Sections 2.969, 2.979, 2.1003 and 2.1045.