

**United States of America  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
EXPERIMENTAL  
SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION**

EXPERIMENTAL

(Nature of Service)

WJ9XFQ

(Call Sign)

XT FX

(Class of Station)

1305-EX-ST-2018

(File Number)

NAME Space Exploration Technologies Corp. (SpaceX)

This Special Temporary Authorization is granted upon the express condition that it may be terminated by the Commission at any time without advance notice or hearing if in its discretion the need for such action arises. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a finding by the Commission that the authority herein granted is or will be in the public interest beyond the express terms hereof.

This Special Temporary Authorization shall not vest in the grantee any right to operate the station nor any right in the use of the frequencies designated in the authorization beyond the term hereof, nor in any other manner than authorized herein. Neither the authorization nor the right granted hereunder shall be assigned or otherwise transferred in violation of the Communications Act of 1934. This authorization is subject to the right of use of control the Government of the United States conferred by Section 706 of the Communications Act of 1934.

Special Temporary Authority is hereby granted to operate the apparatus described below:

**Purpose Of Operation:**

Experimental launch vehicle first-stage recovery operation.

Station Locations

(1) Vandenberg AFB (SANTA BARBARA), CA - NL 34-38-00; WL 120-36-57

Frequency Information

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Frequency	Station Class	Emission Designator	Authorized Power	Frequency Tolerance (+/-)
2090 MHz	FX	800KG1D	3 W (ERP)	0.000225 %

**Special Conditions:**

- (1) Operation is subject to prior coordination with the local Society of Broadcast Engineers, Inc. (SBE) frequency coordinator. Consult the list at [http://freq.sbe.org/pdf\\_files/coordinators.pdf](http://freq.sbe.org/pdf_files/coordinators.pdf) to find the appropriate coordinator.
- (2) All operations shall be limited to experimental first-stage recovery operation, following a Falcon 9 launch from Vandenberg Air Force Base. This request is limited to the brief command uplink from a ground antenna at the landing site to the launch vehicle after landing. This STA will expire as soon as the launch vehicle first-stage recovery operation has been completed or 25 March 2019, whichever occurs first.

This authorization effective September 25, 2018 and will expire 3:00 A.M. EST March 25, 2019

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**Special Conditions:**

- (3) Prior to operating at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California, SpaceX shall ensure proper UDS documentation is established to support their operations and send a letter to 2 ROPS/DOS officially appointing schedulers to interface with the Western Range Scheduling Office. After this documentation is in place, SpaceX schedulers can coordinate and schedule operations by contacting the Western Range Scheduling Office, 2 ROPS/DOS, at 2ROPS.DOS@us.af.mil or (805) 606-8825. All RF emissions must also be scheduled and coordinated with the Frequency Control and Analysis Center (FCAC) at 805-606-9247, prior to the start of operations.