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To: [Craig, Betsy](#)
Cc: [Nyman, Jessica T.](#)
Subject: RE: 0448-ST-EX-2025 / COB 27 March 2025
Date: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 8:13:00 AM

No Problem Betsy,

The email string below will go to the FCC also via NTIA.

Standing by if you have any questions.

V/R,

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Hello Mr. Snead,

Thank you for the clarification. Caos agrees to those conditions. Please let me know if you have any objection to me sharing this email thread with the FCC to confirm for them that we have coordinated with MAG for this STA.

Sincerely,
Betsy

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I'm assuming they understand they would be required to schedule all of their testing with both WAFC and AFCAZ at least 7-days prior to turning the equipment on. This can be done via email or phone. There are continuous DoD operations in both the WAFC and AFCAZs areas

of responsibility, so they need to deconflict potential issues.

The IFDS (Integrated Frequency Deconfliction System) inputs are internal to DOD but include technical parameters off the STA request as well as the time frames used. It's a way of deconflicting spectrum use for the DOD. The WAFC will input the data in the system based upon the schedules Caos asks for.

Hopefully, this is acceptable.

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Hello Mr. Snead,

Thank you very much for the update. Could you please provide a little more information about what the first two bullets (scheduling with WAFC and AFCAZ) and inputting info into the IFDS system would entail? Caos would like to know a little more about inputting information into a system, and what specifically they would have to provide?

Thank you very much,
Betsy

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Betsy,

We just chopped on the FCC STA request with the following comments. Hopefully Caos can make this work.

Standing by if you have any questions.

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Art,

We've been going back and forth on this for a few months, but WAFC and AFCAZ think this can work with the following:

The MAG conditionally concurs with 0448-ST-EX-2025 on behalf of Caos with the following requirements:

- Strict scheduling of ALL tests must take place at least 7-days prior to each event to the following (two) agencies to avoid critical DoD operations:
 - DOD Western Area Frequency Coordinator (WAFC) – Jamie Heaton, 760.939.6832, jamie.heaton.civ@us.navy.mil
 - DOD Arizona Area Frequency Coordinator (AFCAZ) – Mark Rossow, 520.538.6423, mark.k.rossow.civ@army.mil
- Testing events will be input into the IFDS system when coordinating (during scheduling

with WAFC)

- Provide Stop Buzzer contact information at the testing location.
- Strict non-interference basis

Standing by for questions.

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Tom,

Did Caos Capital for Desert Center, CA pre-coord with you? Thanks

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Very Respectfully,
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