**DA 21-539**

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**WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU and office of engineering and technology SEEK COMMENT ON lockheed martin CORPORATION request FOR waiver of certain experimental radio service rules**

**WT Docket No. 19-348**

**AU Docket No. 21-62**

**Comment Date: May 17, 2021**

**Reply Comment Date: May 24, 2021**

With this Public Notice, we seek comment on a request filed by Lockheed Martin Corporation (Lockheed Martin) that asks the Commission to waive certain sections of its experimental licensing rules, which govern harmful interference and non-interference criteria.[[1]](#footnote-3) Lockheed Martin asks for a limited, expedited wavier of sections 5.5 and 5.84 of the Commission’s rules in order to be afforded the right to protection from harmful interference from other operators in the 3.45-3.55 GHz band at its Research, Development, Test & Evaluation (RDT&E) radar facilities in Cazenovia, NY and Liverpool, NY. Lockheed Martin asserts that the Commission’s decision in the *3.45 GHz Band Second Report and Order* is insufficient to ensure that Lockheed has continued access to spectrum for its RDT&E operations in the 3.45 GHz band, and it requests consideration of its waiver prior to the opening of the application filing window for Auction 110.[[2]](#footnote-4) Lockheed Martin argues that waiver is necessary to enable it to continue its RDT&E operations in support of the United States’ and its allies’ S-band (3.1-3.55 GHz) radar and national security needs.

We seek comment on the issues raised by Lockheed Martin’s request for waiver.

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Pursuant to section 1.925(c) of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR § 1.925(c), interested parties are invited to file comments or replies on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. All filings must reference WT Docket No. 19-348 and AU Docket No. 21-62. Comments may be filed using the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).

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*Additional Information.* For further information regarding this Public Notice, contact Joyce Jones of the Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunication Bureau, at [joyce.jones@fcc.gov](mailto:joyce.jones@fcc.govjoyce.jone) or (202) 418-1327 or Ira Keltz of the Office of Engineering and Technology, at [ira.keltz@fcc.gov](mailto:ira.keltz@fcc.gov) or (202) 418-0616.

1. Lockheed Martin Corporation, Request for Waiver, filed April 29, 2021 (Lockheed Martin Waiver Request). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
2. Lockheed Martin Waiver Request at 7-8. *See also Facilitating Shared Use in the 3100-3550 MHz Band*, WT Docket No. 19-348, Second Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, Order Proposing Modification, 2021 WL 1086295 (2021); *Auction of Flexible-Use Service Licenses in the 3.45-3.55 GHz Band for Next-Generation Wireless Services; Comment Sought on Competitive Bidding Procedures for Auction 110*, AU Docket No. 21-62, Public Notice 2021 WL 1086298 (2021). Lockheed Martin proposes to limit its in-band operations to a contour that overlaps with portions of Partial Economic Areas 41, 44, and 227. Lockheed Martin Waiver Request at 17 and Exhibit A. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
3. *See* 47 CFR § 1.1200 *et seq.* [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
4. *Id.* § 1.1206(b). [↑](#footnote-ref-6)