

Re:Exemption Request Pursuant To Section 333 of the FAA Reform Act of 2012

Dear Sir or Madam:

ACS Incorporated dba Camera Support Burbank in conjunction with West Coast Aerials LLC, a California Limited Liability Company are writing pursuant to the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (the "Reform Act") and the procedures contained in 14 C.F.R. 11, to request that West Coast Aerials, an owner and operator of small unmanned aircraft, equipped to conduct aerial photography for the motion picture and television industry for scripted closed set filming, hereby applies for an exemption from the listed Federal Aviation Regulations ("FARs") to allow commercial operation of its sUASs, so long as such operations are conducted within and under the conditions outlined herein or as may be established by the FAA as required by Section 333.1.

This requested exemption would permit the operation of small, unmanned UAS under controlled conditions in airspace that is 1) limited 2) predetermined 3) controlled as to access and 4) would provide safety enhancements to the already safe operations in the film and television industry presently using conventional aircraft. Approval of this exemption would thereby enhance safety and fulfill the Secretary of Transportation's (the FAA Administrator's) responsibilities to "...establish requirements for the safe operation of such aircraft systems in the national airspace system." Section 333(c) of the Reform Act.

West Coast Aerials owners Randy Gomez and Gary Taillon are professional operators and engineers in the television and film industry capturing aerial cinematography with small, unmanned aircraft and lightweight UASs. It is a company that has publicly and privately shown its ability to carry camera systems on a stable UAS platform. West Coast Aerials has equipped each of its small unmanned aircraft for aerial video, primarily for use in the television industry, though given their stability and maneuverability, they may be used for other cinematography using cameras like the Arri Alexa, Red Epic and Sony F55. West Coast Aerials UASs are the most advanced remote control aircraft being used for these purposes and they are already highly regarded by noteworthy movie and television directors and experts in the field of unmanned rotorcraft. Owners Randy Gomez and Gary Taillon have been on the forefront of remote control and wireless technology since its inception, bringing their expertise to the television and film industry for the past 30 years.

West Coast Aerials owner operators specialize in moving camera platforms using wireless applications. Our owner operators have provided professional technical support and equipment rental for the television and film industry for 30+ years on such shows as:

The Academy Awards, The Academy of Television Arts Emmy Awards, MTV Music Awards, Winter and Summer Olympics, Triple Crown, Dancing with the stars, The Voice, Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy, Jimmy Kimmel Live, Master Chef, Survivor, Biggest Loser, plus numerous situation comedies on all major TV networks and cable channels.

These clients are very interested to utilize this UAS technology and are confident with the professional approach our company provides using our moving camera platforms such as Technojibs, jibarms, cable cams, rail cams, Steadicams, towercams etc West Coast Aerials technical team always ensures a safe operating environment, first concern being public safety. Our company has a perfect safety record operating its crane mounted cameras over crowds and public areas during live television broadcasts and concerts.

Based in Burbank California, West Coast Aerials would like permission to fly its UASs commercially in the United States to capture aerial cinematography and conduct research on UAS safety protocols.

West Coast Aerials exemption request would permit its operation of lightweight, unmanned (piloted by remote control) and state of the art UASs in tightly controlled and limited airspace. Our company only works in specifically permitted areas of operation and cordoned off locations provided by the production company.

West Coast Aerials always obtains all necessary permissions and permits prior to operation; and, West Coast Aerials has procedures in place to abort flights in the event of safety breaches or potential danger.

West Coast Aerials is asking the agency to grant an exemption from regulations that address general flight rules, pilot certificate requirements, manuals, maintenance and equipment mandates. We are also asking for relief from airworthiness certification requirements as allowed under Section 333. Under that section of the law, certain airworthiness requirements can be waived to let specific UAS fly safely in narrowly-defined, controlled, low-risk situations.

Granting West Coast Aerials request comports with the Secretary of Transportation's (FAA Administrator's) responsibilities to not only integrate UASs into the national airspace system, but to "...establish requirements for the safe operation of such aircraft systems [UASs] in the national airspace system" under Section 333(c) of the Reform Act. Further, West Coast Aerials will conduct its operations in compliance with the protocols described herein or as otherwise established by the FAA.

For the reasons stated in our attached petition, West Coast Aerials respectfully requests the grant of an exemption allowing it to operate lightweight, remote controlled UAS's within the national airspace system, forthwith.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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