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BY EMAIL ONLY

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RE: Discovery Productions Group, Inc.

Dear George:

We have submitted a special exception application on behalf of Discovery Productions, Group, Inc. ("Discovery") to allow the provision of ground-mounted satellite antennas at its property at 45580 Terminal Drive in Sterling. We anticipate a maximum of six employees being needed to service the antennas, which will be split between three shifts over a 24 hour period (approximately two employees per shift). Discovery's shifts operate seven days per week. As you will be aware, special exception applications require the submission of a transportation analysis for the proposed uses. We anticipate this application having a negligible impact on the surrounding road network and do not believe that a detailed traffic study is necessary for this application.

Discovery already occupies the office building at 45580 Terminal Drive. The additional members of staff will be based in this office building and will use the property's existing vehicular access and parking facilities. The site layout and vehicular access was approved under STPL 1997-0068. There are no site distance issues with this approval.

Access to the property is currently provided from both Shaw Road and Terminal Drive. Shaw Road (Route 636) is a minor collector road and approximately 50 feet (of pavement) in width. According to VDOT's 2008 Traffic Data, the portion of Shaw Road providing access to the property (between Old Ox Road (Route 606) and Sterling Boulevard (Route 846)) has an annual average daily traffic volume of 14,000 trips. These trip numbers were generated in January, 2005. Terminal Drive is approximately 45 feet (of pavement) in width. It serves six existing properties and terminates with a cul-de-sac.

We anticipate the proposed special exception use will generate approximately 12-18 trips over a 24 hour period. This will include approximately 4 trips during each of the am and pm peak hour periods.



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Thank you for your attention to this matter. We would be pleased to provide any further information needed during the processing of this application.

Sincerely,

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Ben I. Wales

cc Glenn Defriest, Discovery Production Group, Inc.

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