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Correspondence Reference Number: **20282**

Regarding: FCC Identifier: **AMWOVP2001610888**
 Portable Marine VHF Transmitter
 731 Confirmation Number: **EA101310**

Dear Mr. Dichoso:

Pursuant to the above referenced email and our telephone conversation, please allow me to reiterate the fact that the attachment of the spacer pertains to the usage of the accessory speaker/microphone. At present, we have not finalized nor received any delivery of this accessory, so we are very flexible with respect to modifying the spacer design. On the other hand, the portable marine VHF transceiver itself has been finalized awaiting FCC approval.

Also, just for your reference, you should know that the speaker/microphone accessory will carry a distinctive part number (HHATL07) that is referenced in the Owner's Manual. I have the assurance that this accessory will not be distributed until all matters of this approval are resolved.

To address your specific questions, I have confirmed the following:

The adhesive used to apply the spacer will be permanent. This will be reconfirmed with our vendor who will supply the spacer. I will be happy to supply the exact type and composition of adhesive as soon as I know it.

The spacer will be made from a hard rubber material that will be hard to compress. Again, I will be happy to supply the exact chemical composition of the material as soon as I know it. A specification as to the compression will be included in our purchase specification to insure that at least a 1.2 cm thickness is maintained, even under abnormal conditions to a reasonable extent.

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Also, I have received confirmation from our product development department that the improved spacer will cover at least 2/3 of the back of the belt clip when attached to it.

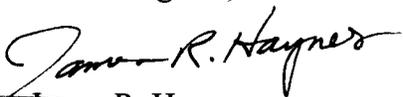
Additionally, we will redraft the user instructions that will be included with each HHATL07 Speaker/Microphone to show the proper permanent attachment technique of the spacer to the belt-clip on the actual transceiver (FCC Id: AMWOVP2001610888).

Concerning your question about the availability of a photo, we do not have any photo at the moment. As mentioned above, the speaker/microphone has not been finalized and neither has the final version of the spacer until we receive some idea of your acceptance.

Based on this fact and with my attestation to the above conditions, might I suggest that the conditions of this spacer be made part of the Grant of Equipment Authorization, and that it be granted as soon as possible. Also, I can submit an actual sample of the speaker/microphone accessory, including the spacer, when it becomes available, but before we allow it to be distributed. My suggestion is based upon the fact that the radio, as a stand-alone device, has demonstrated compliance to the FCC rules. We are ready to distribute it as soon as we can have a Grant of Equipment Authorization issued.

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know at your earliest convenience if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincere regards,



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