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Subj: OPERATION OF OMEGA IN-FLIGHT REFUELING SERVICES

- 1. Omega Air Refueling Services, Inc. has asked for my assistance to clarify the status of Omega Tankers in the United States Navy service. Omega tankers N707MQ, and N974VV are under contract to the U.S. Navy to provide in-flight refueling services through the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIRSYSTEMS COMMAND). The aircraft are "Public Use Aircraft" under Title 49 of the United States Code, Section 401 02, and A37 while operating under the terms of the NAVAIR contract. Authority to operate these aircraft is controlled through a PMA 207 contract. Tasking Orders for Omega Tankers are issued via NAVAIR Contracts and PMA 207 Program Office. The Omega tankers are frequently issued Tasking Orders to deploy in support of our allies, and regularly deploy in support of the Royal Australian Air Force and have supported the Royal Air Force under a similar US Navy Tasking Order.
- 3. I hope that I have added some clarity to the manner in which Omega Tankers operate in the "Public Use" in support of the US Navy contract. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Stephen Doragh at (301)757-8735.

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