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Federal Communications Commission  
7435 Oakland Mills Road  
Columbia, MD. 21046

Attention:        Reviewing Engineer

Subject:         CONFIDENTIALITY REQUEST for QUPID [FCC ID: Q5ZQUPID2003]

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as an official request for confidentiality under FCC Rule Section 0.459. Our statement of reasons is as follows:

- 1) We request that all schematics, and block diagrams which have been marked "PROPRIETARY DATA" be withheld from public review. These documents contain critical design information that is a Vista Controls trade secret.
- 2) The information contained in the schematics and diagrams is not provided to any third parties unless non-disclosure agreements have been established with said parties and Vista Controls.
- 3) Ultra Wideband (UWB) technology is highly sought after by domestic and foreign competition.
- 4) The QUPID sensor was originally developed by Anro Engineering, Inc., pursuant to patents of Dr. Gerald F. Ross. [Pat. 6,208,248 B1] Dr. Ross is recognized as a pioneer in the field of Ultra Wideband technology. This development effort has been on-going since the early 1970's. Public disclosure of our detailed design information would greatly assist competition.
- 5) Vista Controls must protect its intellectual property in order to continue to be a viable source of UWB and other new technology. Disclosure would financially impact Vista Controls, and would cause irreversible damage to our company, and its workforce.
- 6) Vista Controls requests that all information marked "PROPRIETARY DATA" not be disclosed for a period of 5 years. This is adequate to protect Vista Controls market lead in the burgeoning UWB market place.

Sincerely,

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