



FCC ID: NE3PCS008

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Subject: PCS Certification Application Cover Letter

Reference: FCC ID: NE3PCS008

To Whom It May Concern:

This is an application for Certification for FCC ID: NE3PCS008, for the High Power Edge Carrier Unit (ECU) 850.

**Confidentiality Request:**

We are requesting confidentiality for the following Exhibit Types: Operational Description, Parts List / Tune-up Info, Schematics, Block Diagrams, User manuals and Internal photographs.

This request is based on the following reasons:

Siemens serves a market both new and technically very advanced. Hence competition among equipment providers is very high, with millions of dollars at stake. Siemens' applications for certification contain technical information regarding technology it spent millions of dollars to develop. If classified as non-confidential, Siemens' competitors would gain an unfair advantage at Siemens' expense.

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Siemens base stations are normally installed in a restricted area, accessible only by Siemens or its customer. When not installed in a restricted area, such as a rooftop, Siemens base stations are always locked with temper-proof hardware and locks, again accessible only by Siemens and its customer. Accordingly, only authorized persons, who also previously signed an NDA, have access to the inside of a Siemens base station cabinet.

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For these reasons, Siemens strongly requests confidentiality for the following Exhibit Types: **Operational Description, Parts List/Tune-up Info, Schematics, Block Diagrams, User Manuals, and Internal Photographs.**

Please do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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