

**July 2016**  
**FM Translator W283CD**  
**Silver Spring, MD Channel 228D**  
**Allocation Study**

**250 Mile Window Application**

This application is being filed as an amendment to BPFT-20160129AGH, a “250 Mile Window Application” to modify an authorized FM translator for use with an AM station. This amendment makes changes in the proposed channel, transmitter site, and technical parameters, in order to remove BPFT-20160129AGH from a mutual exclusive application group.

AM Station Callsign: WBQH  
AM Station Class: D

Translator Move Distance: 33 kilometers

**Allocation Study**

The attached spacing study shows the spacing between the proposed translator site and the location of cochannel and adjacent channel stations and proposals. This study was made with the Commission's Class A spacing requirements, and individual situations were examined to determine the lack of prohibited contour overlap per the requirements of §74.1204 of the Rules. The attached allocation study map demonstrates compliance with the Commission's Rules for protection of FM broadcast stations and FM translators as outlined in §74.1204.

The spacing study demonstrates compliance with §73.207 of the Commission's Rules regarding spacing restrictions to stations which are 53 or 54 channels removed from the proposed operation.

**WPOC 226B Baltimore:** The proposed translator transmitter site is located within the 54 dBu protected contour of second-adjacent channel station WPOC 226B Baltimore. The following calculation, performed using the *Living Way* methodology, demonstrates interference protection to that station.

Protected Station	Distance & Bearing to Proposal	Station ERP and HAAT on that azimuth	Station Field Strength at Proposal	Corresponding Translator Interfering Contour	Distance to Translator Interfering Contour
WPOC 238B License	37.11 km 223 deg True	3.863 kW 250 meters	60.9 dBu F(50,50)	100.9 dBu	see following
WPOC 238B App	37.12 km 223 deg True	3.863 kW 249 meters	60.9 dBu F(50,50)	100.9 dBu	see following

Given that the transmitting antenna will be installed at a height of 88 meters above ground, and taking into consideration the vertical plane pattern of the PSIFMT-4A-6DB-0.75 antenna, the attached calculations demonstrate that the interference area will not reach ground level except

within 65 meters of the tower. There is no population within this contour. Therefore, the proposed facility is believed to satisfy the requirements of §74.1204(d) with respect to WPOC.



***65 Meter Radius From Proposed Tower  
(omni assumed for convenience, but actually has reduced power southbound)***

**WKYS 230B Washington:** The proposed translator transmitter site is located within the 54 dBu protected contour of second-adjacent channel station WKYS 230B Washington. The following calculation, performed using the *Living Way* methodology, demonstrates interference protection to that station.

Protected Station	Distance & Bearing to Proposal	Station ERP and HAAT on that azimuth	Station Field Strength at Proposal	Corresponding Translator Interfering Contour	Distance to Translator Interfering Contour
WKYS 230B	11.74 km 15 deg True	24.5 kW 186 meters	87.1 dBu Free Space	127.1 dBu	35 meters Free Space

The interfering contour does not reach ground level. There is no population within this contour. Therefore, the proposed facility is believed to satisfy the requirements of §74.1204(d) with respect to WKYS.

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## SEARCH PARAMETERS

FM Database Date: 160705

Channel: 228A 93.5 MHz  
 Latitude: 39 2 32  
 Longitude: 77 2 49  
 Safety Zone: 50 km  
 Job Title: SILVER SPRING 228

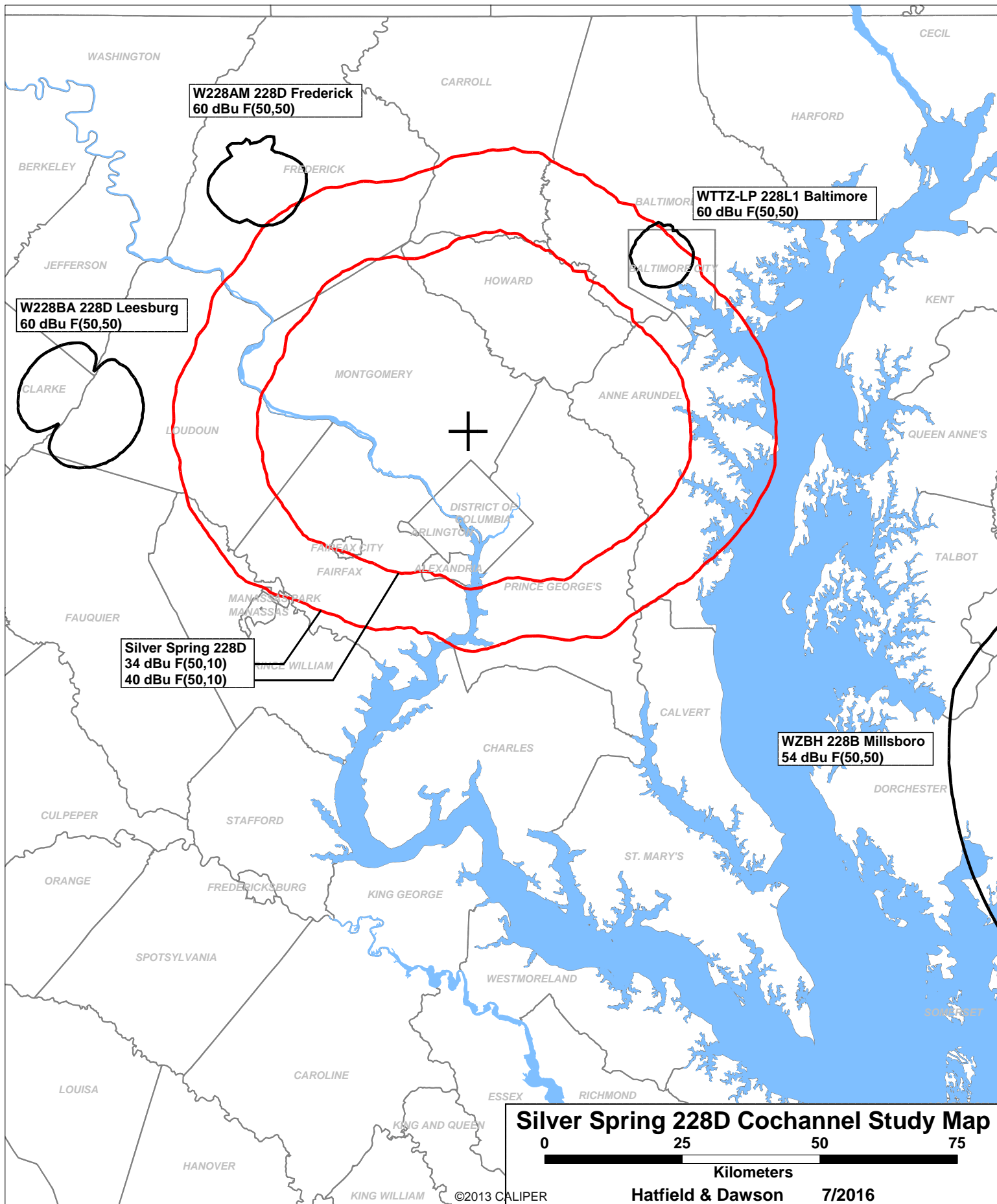
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Call Status	City St	FCC File No.	Channel Freq.	ERP(kW) HAAT(m)	Latitude Longitude	Bearing deg-True	Dist (km)	Req (km)
W227BM CP	CENTREVILLE VA	BPFT-60324AAG	225D 92.9	0.025 156.0	38-51-18 077-22-28	233.8	35.19 0.00	0 TRANS
WPOC APP	BALTIMORE MD	BPH-60526AAJ	226B 93.1	16.000 264.0	39-17-14 076-45-17	42.7	37.12 -31.88	69 SHORT
WPOC LIC	BALTIMORE MD	BLH-00714ABE	226B 93.1	16.000 264.0	39-17-13 076-45-16	42.7	37.11 -31.89	69 SHORT
WFLS-FM LIC	FREDERICKSBURG VA	BLH-880809LD	227B 93.3	50.000 150.0	38-18-46 077-26-20	202.9	87.86 -25.14	113 SHORT
W227BM LIC	WINCHESTER VA	BLFT-21120AFE	227D 93.3	0.013 120.0	39-11-40 078-10-18	280.2	98.73 0.00	0 TRANS
WZBH LIC	MILLSBORO DE	BLH-60425AAP	228B 93.5	50.000 150.0	38-31-24 075-17-55	110.3 SS	162.47 -15.53	178 SHORT
WTTZ-LP LIC	BALTIMORE MD	BLL-50724ACD	228L1 93.5	0.004 151.7	39-20-10 076-38-59	46.2	47.35 -19.65	67 SHORT
W228AM LIC	FREDERICK, ETC MD	BLFT-890922TA	228D 93.5	0.019 452.0	39-29-35 077-30-00	322.3	63.51 0.00	0 TRANS
W228AB LIC	PARAMOUNT, ETC. MD	BLFT-20629ABM	228D 93.5	0.013 131.0	39-38-35 077-44-54	318.1	90.03 0.00	0 TRANS
WWKL LIC	MECHANICSBURG PA	BMLH-50115AAI	228A 93.5	1.250 219.0	40-10-38 076-52-38	6.5	126.85 11.85	115 CLEAR
W228BA LIC	LEESBURG VA	BLFT-950830TH	228D 93.5	0.010 418.0	39-05-05 077-51-38	274.1	70.58 0.00	0 TRANS
WSTW LIC	WILMINGTON DE	BMLH-00629AZK	229B 93.7	47.100 153.0	39-48-57 075-31-47	56.1 SS	156.34 43.34	113 CLEAR
WRGG-LP LIC	GREENCASTLE PA	BLL-60606ACO	229L1 93.7	0.029 55.0	39-47-29 077-40-30	327.3	99.21 43.21	56 CLEAR

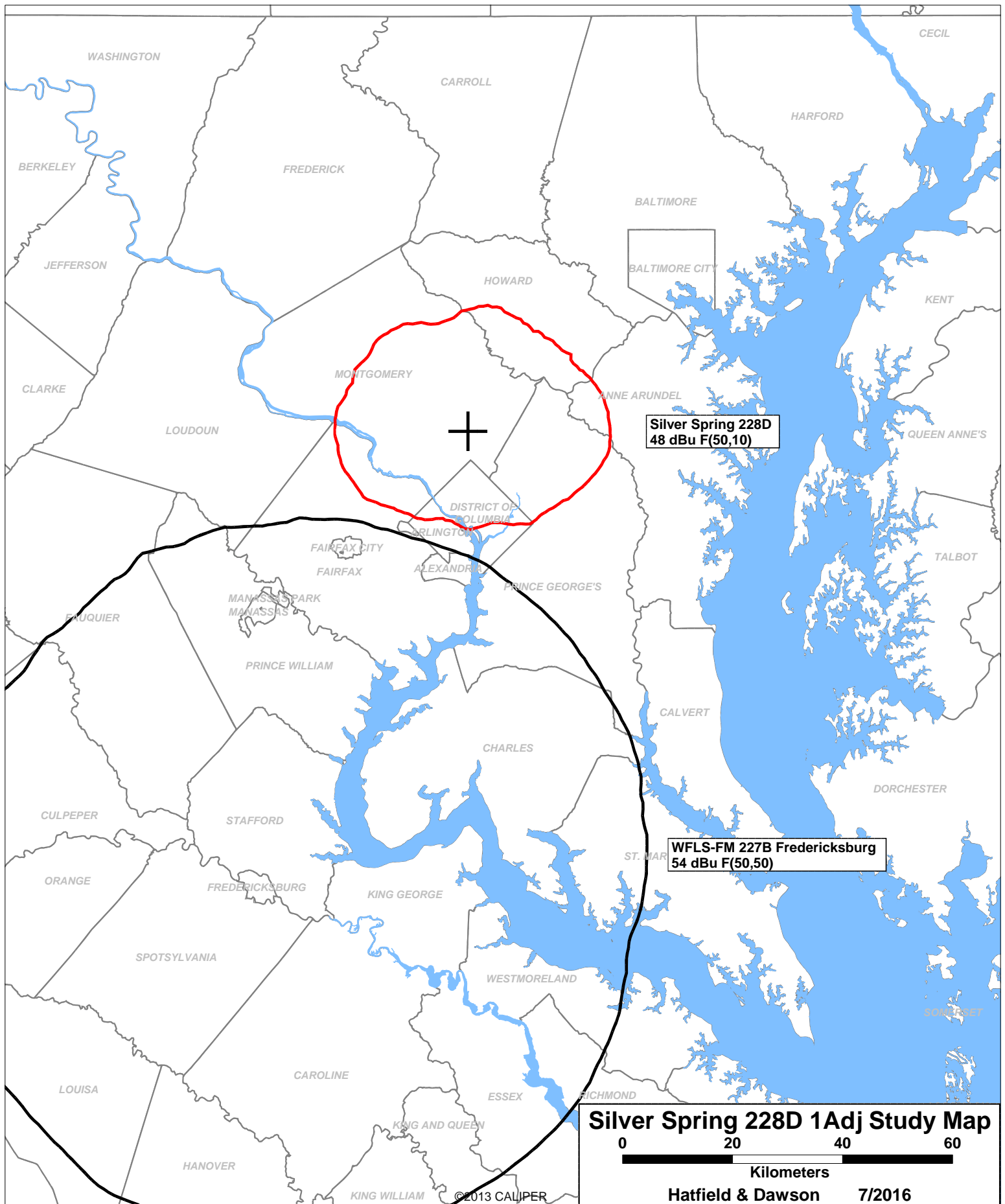
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SEARCH PARAMETERS                                     FM Database Date: 160705
Channel: 228A      93.5 MHz                             Page 2
Latitude: 39 2 32
Longitude: 77 2 49
Safety Zone: 50 km
Job Title: SILVER SPRING 228
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Call Status	City St	FCC File No.	Channel Freq.	ERP(kW) HAAT(m)	Latitude Longitude	Bearing deg-True	Dist (km)	Req (km)
W229CM	MARTINSBURG	229D	0.250 DA	39-27-48	300.4	93.60	0	
CP MOD	WV	BMPFT-60129AJB	93.7	105.0	077-59-11	0.00	TRANS	
WKYS	WASHINGTON	230B	24.500	38-56-24	194.8	11.74	69	
LIC	DC	BMLH-80505ACH	93.9	215.0	077-04-54	-57.26	SHORT	
WPRS-FM	WALDORF	281B	20.000	38-37-07	159.5	50.21	15	
LIC	MD	BMLH-70809ABE	104.1	244.0	076-50-39	35.21	CLEAR	
WZFT	BALTIMORE	282B	13.000 DA	39-20-10	46.2	47.35	15	
LIC	MD	BLH-90123AAG	104.3	294.0	076-38-59	SS	32.35	
							CLEAR	

===== END OF FM SPACING STUDY FOR CHANNEL 228 =====







# Silver Spring 228D Free Space Interference Area Calculator

## Interference Area to WPOC 226B

Antenna Height: 88 meters AGL  
 Contour Level: 100.9 dBu equals 0.1 V/m  
 ERP in Watts: 130 Watts

Maximum distance  
 to interfering contour is: 2364.3 feet equals 720.6 meters

Antenna: PSIFMT-4 3/4

Depression Angle (degrees)	PSI PSIFMT-4 3/4 Relative Field	Adjusted ERP (Watts)	Free Space Distance To 100.9 dBu Contour Along the depression angle	Horizontal Distance (meters)	Contour AGL (meters)
-90	0.001	0.0	0.7 meters	0	87.3
-89	0.001	0.0	0.7	0.0	87.3
-88	0.001	0.0	0.7	0.0	87.3
-87	0.001	0.0	0.7	0.0	87.3
-86	0.001	0.0	0.7	0.1	87.3
-85	0.001	0.0	0.7	0.1	87.3
-84	0.002	0.0	1.4	0.2	86.6
-83	0.003	0.0	2.2	0.3	85.9
-82	0.004	0.0	2.9	0.4	85.1
-81	0.006	0.0	4.3	0.7	83.7
-80	0.008	0.0	5.8	1.0	82.3
-79	0.011	0.0	7.9	1.5	80.2
-78	0.014	0.0	10.1	2.1	78.1
-77	0.018	0.0	13.0	2.9	75.4
-76	0.022	0.1	15.9	3.8	72.6
-75	0.027	0.1	19.5	5.0	69.2
-74	0.032	0.1	23.1	6.4	65.8
-73	0.037	0.2	26.7	7.8	62.5
-72	0.044	0.3	31.7	9.8	57.8
-71	0.050	0.3	36.0	11.7	53.9
-70	0.057	0.4	41.1	14.0	49.4
-69	0.065	0.5	46.8	16.8	44.3
-68	0.072	0.7	51.9	19.4	39.9
-67	0.080	0.8	57.7	22.5	34.9
-66	0.088	1.0	63.4	25.8	30.1
-65	0.097	1.2	69.9	29.5	24.6
-64	0.105	1.4	75.7	33.2	20.0
-63	0.112	1.6	80.7	36.6	16.1
-62	0.120	1.9	86.5	40.6	11.6
-61	0.127	2.1	91.5	44.4	8.0
-60	0.133	2.3	95.8	47.9	5.0
-59	0.139	2.5	100.2	51.6	2.1
-58	0.144	2.7	103.8	55.0	-0.0
-57	0.148	2.8	106.7	58.1	-1.4
-56	0.150	2.9	108.1	60.4	-1.6
-55	0.152	3.0	109.5	62.8	-1.7
-54	0.152	3.0	109.5	64.4	-0.6
-53	0.150	2.9	108.1	65.1	1.7
-52	0.146	2.8	105.2	64.8	5.1
-51	0.141	2.6	101.6	63.9	9.0
-50	0.133	2.3	95.8	61.6	14.6
-49	0.124	2.0	89.4	58.6	20.6



-48	0.112	1.6	80.7	54.0	28.0
-47	0.099	1.3	71.3	48.7	35.8
-46	0.083	0.9	59.8	41.5	45.0
-45	0.066	0.6	47.6	33.6	54.4
-44	0.047	0.3	33.9	24.4	64.5
-43	0.027	0.1	19.5	14.2	74.7
-42	0.004	0.0	2.9	2.1	86.1
-41	0.018	0.0	13.0	9.8	79.5
-40	0.043	0.2	31.0	23.7	68.1
-39	0.067	0.6	48.3	37.5	57.6
-38	0.092	1.1	66.3	52.2	47.2
-37	0.116	1.7	83.6	66.8	37.7
-36	0.139	2.5	100.2	81.0	29.1
-35	0.161	3.4	116.0	95.0	21.5
-34	0.181	4.3	130.4	108.1	15.1
-33	0.199	5.1	143.4	120.3	9.9
-32	0.215	6.0	154.9	131.4	5.9
-31	0.226	6.6	162.9	139.6	4.1
-30	0.234	7.1	168.6	146.0	3.7
-29	0.238	7.4	171.5	150.0	4.8
-28	0.237	7.3	170.8	150.8	7.8
-27	0.230	6.9	165.7	147.7	12.8
-26	0.219	6.2	157.8	141.8	18.8
-25	0.201	5.3	144.8	131.3	26.8
-24	0.178	4.1	128.3	117.2	35.8
-23	0.149	2.9	107.4	98.8	46.0
-22	0.114	1.7	82.2	76.2	57.2
-21	0.073	0.7	52.6	49.1	69.1
-20	0.027	0.1	19.5	18.3	81.3
-19	0.025	0.1	18.0	17.0	82.1
-18	0.081	0.9	58.4	55.5	70.0
-17	0.141	2.6	101.6	97.2	58.3
-16	0.205	5.5	147.7	142.0	47.3
-15	0.272	9.6	196.0	189.3	37.3
-14	0.341	15.1	245.7	238.4	28.6
-13	0.411	22.0	296.2	288.6	21.4
-12	0.481	30.1	346.6	339.1	15.9
-11	0.550	39.3	396.3	389.1	12.4
-10	0.617	49.5	444.6	437.9	10.8
-9	0.682	60.5	491.5	485.4	11.1
-8	0.743	71.8	535.4	530.2	13.5
-7	0.799	83.0	575.8	571.5	17.8
-6	0.850	93.9	612.5	609.2	24.0
-5	0.894	103.9	644.2	641.8	31.9
-4	0.931	112.7	670.9	669.3	41.2
-3	0.961	120.1	692.5	691.6	51.8
-2	0.982	125.4	707.7	707.2	63.3
-1	0.996	129.0	717.8	717.6	75.5
0	1.000	130.0	720.6	720.6	88.0

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**RF Exposure Study**

**Facilities Proposed**

The proposed operation will be on Channel 228D (93.5 MHz) with a maximum lobe effective radiated power of 130 watts. Operation is proposed with an antenna to be mounted on an existing tower with FCC Antenna Structure Registration Number 1053549.

**RF Exposure Calculations**

OET Bulletin 65 Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields (Edition 97-01) states in part that:

When performing an evaluation for compliance with the FCC's RF guidelines all significant contributors to the ambient RF environment should be considered. . . For purposes of such consideration, significance can be taken to mean any transmitter producing more than 5% of the applicable exposure limit (in terms of power density or the square of the electric or magnetic field strength) at accessible locations.

As will be demonstrated below, the proposed operation will produce less than 5% of the applicable exposure limit for both controlled and uncontrolled environments. Thus, the proposed facility is categorically excluded from the requirement of further study. Therefore, pursuant to §1.1307(b)(3) of the Commission's Rules no calculations are required for the other FM and TV facilities in the vicinity, and precise calculations are made only with regard to the levels from this proposal.

The power density calculations shown below were made using the techniques outlined in OET Bulletin No. 65. "Ground level" calculations in this report have been made at a reference height of 2 meters above ground to provide a worst-case estimate of exposure for persons standing on the ground in the vicinity of the tower. The equation shown below was used to calculate the ground level power density figures from each antenna.

$$S(\mu W / cm^2) = \frac{33.40981 \times AdjERP(Watts)}{D^2}$$

Where: *AdjERP(Watts)* is the maximum lobe effective radiated power times the element pattern factor times the array pattern factor.

*D* is the distance in meters from the center of radiation to the calculation point.

Ground level power densities have been calculated for locations extending from the base of the tower to a distance of 1000 meters. Values past this point are increasingly negligible.

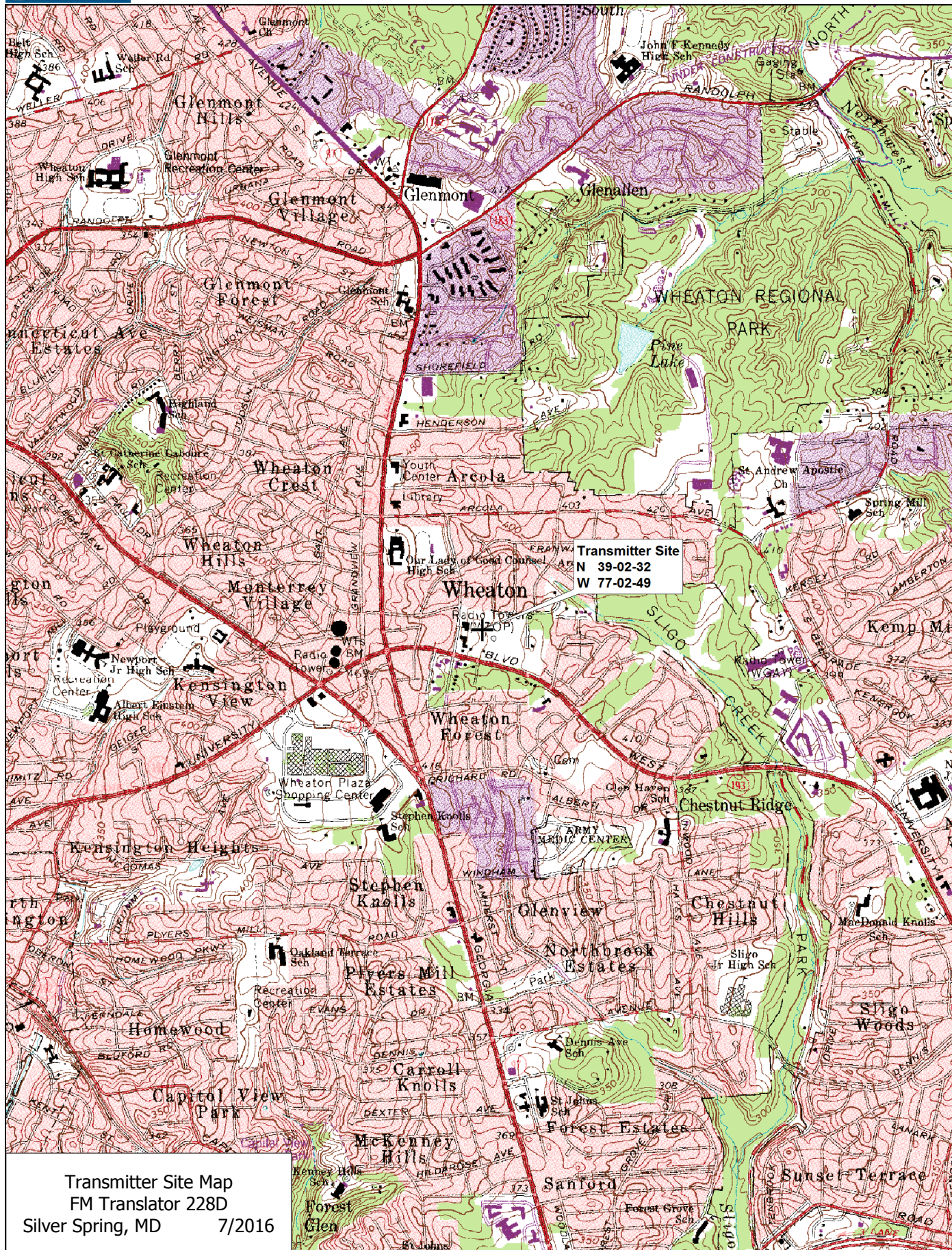
Calculations of the power density produced by the proposed antenna system have been made assuming that the antenna will radiate 100% power straight down to a point 2 meters above ground at the base of the tower (86 meters below the antenna). Under this worst-case assumption, the

highest calculated ground level power density from this proposal occurs at the base of the antenna support structure. At this point the power density is calculated to be  $1.2 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ , which is 0.6% of  $200 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$  (the FCC standard for uncontrolled environments).

These calculations show that the maximum calculated power density produced at two meters above ground level by the proposed operation alone is less than 5% of the applicable FCC exposure limit at all locations between 1 and 1000 meters from the base of the antenna support structure. Section 1.1307(b)(3) of the Commission's Rules excludes applications for new facilities or modifications to existing facilities from the requirement of preparing an environmental assessment when the calculated emissions from the applicants proposed facility are predicted to be less than 5% of the applicable FCC exposure limit. Therefore, the proposed facility is in compliance with Section 1.1301 *et seq* and no further analysis of RF exposure at this site is required in this application.

The permittee/licensee in coordination with other users of the site must reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower or antenna from radiofrequency radiation in excess of FCC guidelines.





Transmitter Site Map  
FM Translator 228D  
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