

THREE ANGELS CORPORATION
EXPLANATION OF WGOD-FM ONLINE PUBLIC FILE COMPLIANCE

Three Angels was late in adding public file material to the FCC's on-line public file system for WGOD-FM, but has completed the uploading.

A primary explanation for the licensee's delay in uploading the required online public file information by the March 1, 2018, deadline is that the station suffered massive damage from Hurricane Irma which struck St. Thomas on September 6, 2017. We tried to determine a way to continue operating the station with limited facilities, but the damage from the hurricane affected not only the transmission facilities but extended to the studio. Even after worst of the storm had passed, we had difficulty with significant water damage, and telephone and Internet service were not reliable.

As a result of the hurricane, we had to take the station off-the-air and filed a request for special temporary authority to remain silent. In that STA request, we stated as follows: "As is well known, Hurricane Irma came ashore in St. Thomas on September 6, 2017 causing massive damage. The WGOD-FM antenna was destroyed as well as part of the station's tower. We have managed to regain reduced power operation at 200 watts transmitter power to provide service to residents by use of an emergency antenna mounted on a short pole on the roof of the studio, roughly 40 feet above ground. Also, our studio is constantly flooding as the rains continue creating more problems for the station. Telephone service is not reliable, nor is internet service. Accordingly, we request special temporary authority to operate with reduced power pending replacement of the antenna and other repairs."

Extensions of the STA to operate with reduced facilities have been required, but the station has been able to remain on the air, with some difficulty. Our sister station WUVI (AM) also was severely damaged, which caused it to be off-air with a "silent STA," as was our WIGT(AM), which returned to operation, also with reduced facilities, on September 5, 2018, all due to the hurricane. Further, the island was so heavily damaged that recovery was slow, and much still remains to be done. These circumstances overwhelmed our small staff of less than five, and the general destruction on the island meant that little revenue was available for us to be able to cope. Continuing problems with the effects of water damage, slow restoration of electrical power, Internet problems, and other issues meant that, in short, we were unable to get the public file uploaded in a timely manner just a few months after the hurricane. Not only were we not proficient in the process, but we had constant problems from the hurricane, including technical impediments. It also should be noted that the hurricane's effects were so profound that we relinquished the license for WUVI (AM) because repair was not feasible, as was outlined in a letter to the FCC.

We have, however, in recent months been able with assistance to upload our online public file, and we will continue to maintain the file. Included was reconstructing and adding issues/programs lists that had been missing into the on-line file. The hurricane damage has hindered this effort, particularly in light of many records that were destroyed. In going through this process, we noted that the 2013 and 2015 biennial ownership filings appear to have inadvertently not been filed, and are missing from our file, but the last such report for 2017 was filed and is accurate. Indeed, that the information in the 2011 report remained accurate at all times in the license term as Reynald Charles was, and remains, the 100% owner and president; therefore, no information changed during the license term.