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**For delivery to: Mr. Allen Myers, Audio Division, Media Bureau**

Re: Alan E. Karsh, K296EO, Dolores, Colorado (FIN: 757)  
RE: 1800B3-ALM (Silent Station Inquiry)

Dear Mr. Myers:

Alan E. Karsh, licensee (the "Licensee") of the above-referenced FM translator station (the "Translator") through counsel, hereby submits documentation in response to the above-referenced inquiry (the "Inquiry"). This documentation demonstrates that the Translator was not silent in April of 2003, as suggested in the Inquiry. The documentation also demonstrates that the station was never silent at any point thereafter for a one year or longer period.

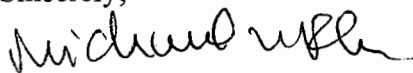
The documentation includes:

- (1) Maintenance logs and accompanying affidavit demonstrating operations during the relevant period;
- (2) Translator manager's affidavit correcting the error that initially led the Commission to believe that the station may have been silent as early as April, 2003, when it was actually on the air at that time.

Many thanks for your kind consideration.

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, please contact this office.

Sincerely,



Michael W. Richards

cc: Mr. Alan E. Karsh

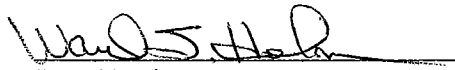
## AFFIDAVIT OF WARD HOLMES

I, Ward Holmes, being duly sworn, hereby state as follows:

I serve as a contract station manager for Alan E. Karsh, licensee of FM Translator Station K296EO, Facility Identification Number 757, Dolores, Colorado (the "Translator Station").

I mistakenly stated in an email to the FCC that the Translator Station went silent in April 2003. The Translator Station, at that time, however, was on the air providing service. It did not become silent until that summer after receipt of a letter from a full power station, with legal priority over the Translator Station, that it would soon start operations on the same channel.

The Translator Station has never been silent for a one year or longer period during any period since notice arrived from that full power station.

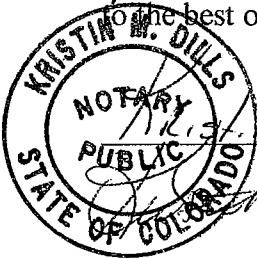
  
Ward Holmes

STATE OF COLORADO )

COUNTY OF LaPlata )

) ss

The above-named, Ward Holmes, personally appeared before me this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, and swore that the statements made in the foregoing Affidavit were true to the best of his knowledge and belief.



  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 12/31/06

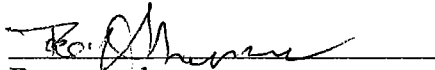
# AFFIDAVIT OF BRUCE ANDERSON

I, Bruce Anderson, being duly sworn, hereby state as follows:

I am the consulting engineer contracted by Alan E. Karsh, licensee, to supervise technical compliance of FM Translator Station K296EO, licensed to Dolores, Colorado Facility Identification Number 757 (the "Translator Station").

The attached true copies of the Translator Station's maintenance logs demonstrate that the Translator Station was not silent in April 2003, as asserted in the Commission's letter to the licensee dated August 4, 2006.

The Translator Station has never been silent for a one year or longer period during my tenure as its consulting engineer, which includes that time and all times since.

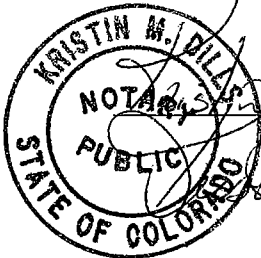
  
Bruce Anderson

STATE OF COLORADO )

) ss

COUNTY OF La Plata)

The above-named, Bruce Anderson, personally appeared before me this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006, and swore that the statements made in the foregoing Affidavit were true to the best of his knowledge and belief.



  
Notary Public

My commission expires: 12/31/06.

K296EO, Dolores, CO

TRANSLATOR LOG

DATE

ACTION

BY

9/26/02

Arrived at site following report of poor reception in Dolores. Dolores side of translator dead (northeast antenna on far tank). Found short in transmission line. Discovered it had been dug up and trampled by Mr. Sellers' cows, mangling about two feet of coax (the cows are not supposed to be in here!). Shut off amp. 2.

9/27/02

Replaced about 3'  $7/8$ " coax for northeast transmission line about 30' out from building, reburied. Placed 6' of 2x4 wood over it before covering, in hopes of alleviating any further livestock problems. Had to increase power output to account for impedance change in n.e. line. 9.8 w fwd, 1 w refl. Not good.

9/29/02

Discovered tweak in n.e. feed line at antenna in coax connector. Pulled slack into line, resealed N-connector. Now 9 w fwd, .4 w refl.

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10/17/02

off air. Rest breaker on our side of building. Utility surge? Back on; equipment appears okay.

(2)

2/11/03

Stopped by on way to new FM site. Equipment checked out okay. Mr. Sellers not happy about all the traffic past his place. Michael Bauer has suggested maybe having someone from the Water Co. escort FCC personnel up here (run interference?).

(2)

3/16/03

Came up hill ant, with help of Jay, re-aligned KIQX receive antenna for better reception: max. AGC on meter. Also tilted it about 20° off horizontal to eliminate some multipath.

Sounds considerably cleaner, especially since snow is almost off the La Platas.

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K296EO, Dolores, CO

TRANSLATOR LOG

DATE

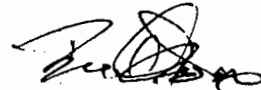
ACTION

BY

7/30/03

Wed. 12:35PM. Transmitter running  
11.8 watts into antenna #1 and 2.2 watts  
into antenna #2. Shut off due to full  
station coming onto 107.1 frequency.

Disconnected AC to both units, removed fuses.

  
7/30/03