

**August 2023
FM Translator W207BQ
Columbia, SC Channel 207D
Allocation Study**

Non-Fill-In Translator ERP

The proposed facility will operate as a non-fill-in translator. The highest 30-degree-increment radial HAAT value is 285 meters on the 240-degree radial, which by reference to §73.1235(b) allows for a maximum omnidirectional ERP of 10 watts. This calculation used the 3-second terrain database.

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 maps demonstrate compliance with the Commission's Rules for protection of FM broadcast stations and FM translators as outlined in §74.1204.

Since the proposed operation will be with less than 100 watts ERP, there are no spacing restrictions to stations which are 53 or 54 channels removed from the proposed operation.

Second- and Third-Adjacent Channel Stations

The proposed translator transmitter site is located within the 60 dBu protected contours of second-adjacent channel station WMHK 209C Columbia. 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 |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| WMHK 209C | 16.13 km 279 deg True | 100 kW 394 meters | 94.1 dBu F(50,50) | 134.1 dBu | 4.4 meters Free Space |

The 134.1 dBu contour extends only 4.4 meters from the antenna per a Free Space calculation and will not reach ground level, which is 240 meters below the antenna. There is no population within

this contour. Therefore, the proposed facility is believed to satisfy the requirements of §74.1204(d) with respect to WMHK.

TV Channel 6

Section 74.1205 of the Commission's Rules specifies a threshold distance of 135 kilometers for FM translators operating on Channel 207. There is no TV Channel 6 station located within this threshold distance. The nearest (WCES-TV Wrens) is located 157 kilometers distant.

SEARCH PARAMETERS

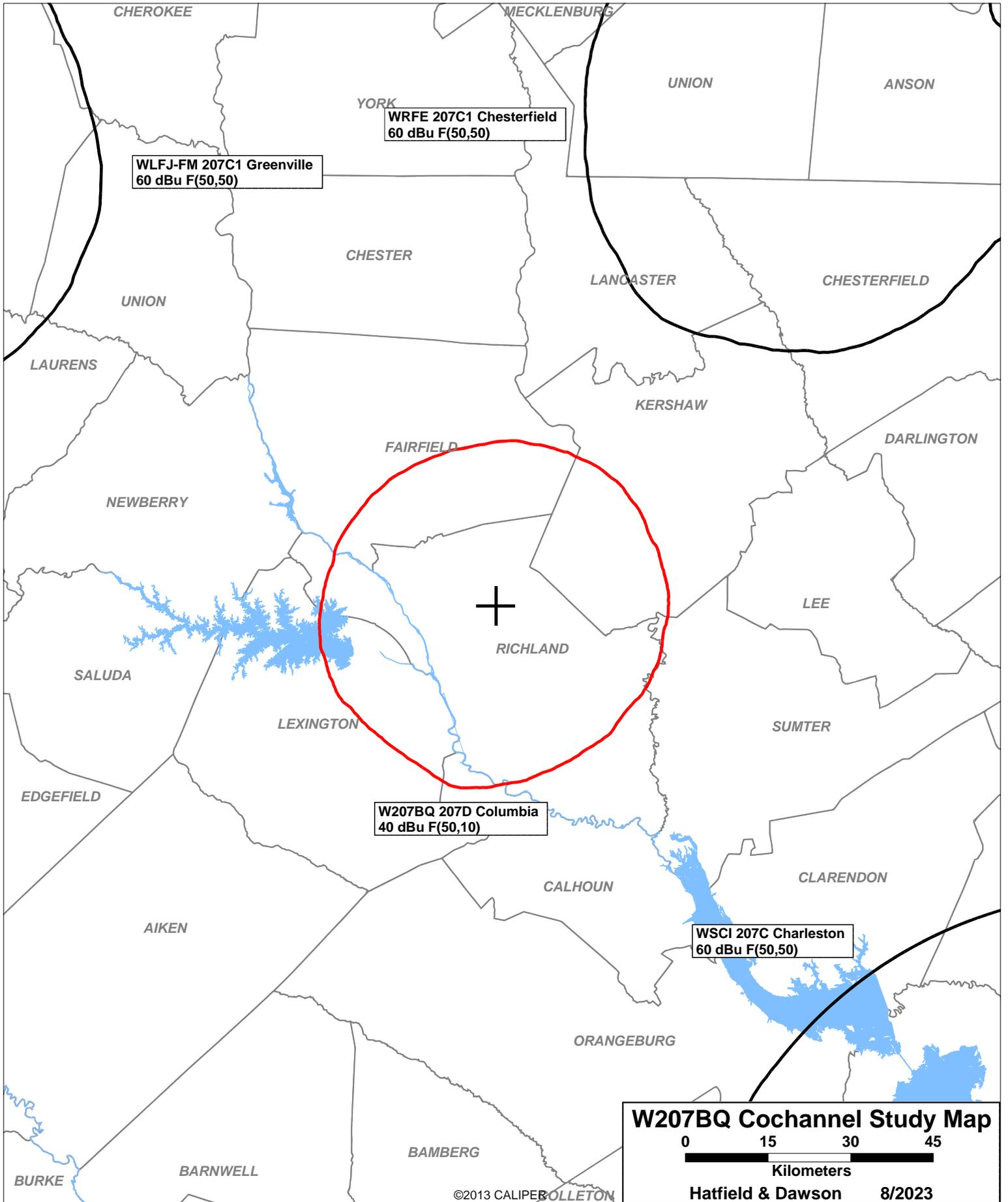
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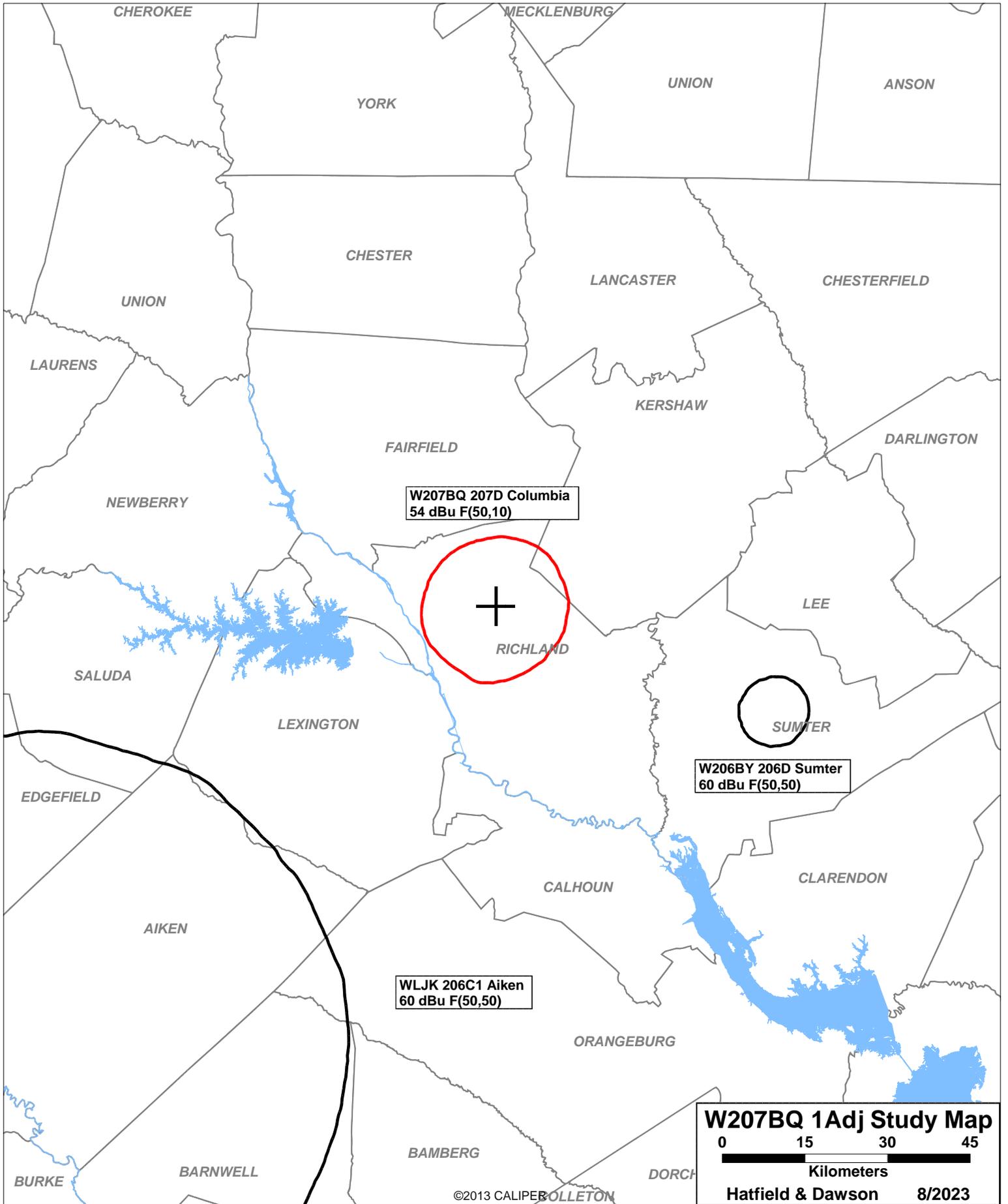
Channel: 207A 89.3 MHz
 Latitude: 34 7 7.0 (NAD83)
 Longitude: 80 56 12.7
 Safety Zone: 50 km
 Job Title: W207BQ ASR 1059176

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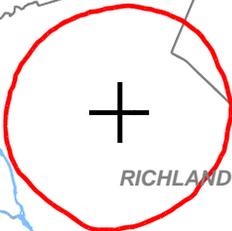
| Call Status | City St | FCC File No. | Channel Freq. | ERP(kW) HAAT(m) | Latitude Longitude | Bearing deg-True | Dist (km) | Req (km) |
|----------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|
| WBIJ LIC | SALUDA SC | | 204C1 88.7 | 51.000 120.0 | DA 33 57 22.5 81 54 8.4 | 258.8 | 90.96 15.96 | 75 CLEAR |
| W204BR LIC | MANNING SC | | 204D 88.7 | 0.050 0.0 | 33 39 27.6 80 18 32.3 | 131.3 | 77.38 0.00 | 0 TRANS |
| WZLC LIC | SUMMERVILLE SC | | 205C1 88.9 | 70.000 96.0 | DA 33 11 33.6 80 33 50.4 | 161.4 | 108.37 33.37 | 75 CLEAR |
| WNSC-FM LIC | ROCK HILL SC | | 205C1 88.9 | 100.000 183.0 | 34 50 23.5 81 1 6.3 | 354.7 | 80.36 5.36 | 75 CLOSE |
| WLJK LIC | AIKEN SC | | 206C1 89.1 | 10.000 419.0 | 33 24 18.5 81 50 14.4 | 226.6 | 114.99 -18.01 | 133 SHORT |
| W206BY LIC | SUMTER SC | | 206D 89.1 | 0.013 0.0 | 33 56 56.6 80 23 33.3 | 110.4 | 53.67 0.00 | 0 TRANS |
| W206AR LIC | FLORENCE SC | | 206D 89.1 | 0.080 0.0 | 34 8 38.6 79 50 3.2 | 88.1 | 101.75 0.00 | 0 TRANS |
| WLFJ-FM LIC | GREENVILLE SC | | 207C1 89.3 | 41.000 335.0 | DA 34 56 26.4 82 24 43.4 | 304.5 | 163.28 -36.72 | 200 SHORT |
| WSCI LIC | CHARLESTON SC | | 207C 89.3 | 100.000 418.0 | DA 32 55 28.6 79 41 57.3 | 138.8 | 175.38 -50.62 | 226 SHORT |
| W207BQ LIC | COLUMBIA SC | | 207D 89.3 | 0.038 0.0 | 34 7 2.5 80 53 9.3 | 91.7 | 4.70 0.00 | 0 TRANS |
| WRFE LIC | CHESTERFIELD SC | | 207C1 89.3 | 50.000 188.8 | DA 34 54 10.0 80 9 13.6 | 39.2 | 112.86 -87.14 | 200 SHORT |
| WQAI LIC | THOMSON GA | | 208C1 89.5 | 63.000 145.0 | DA 33 44 32.5 82 31 16.5 | 254.5 | 152.32 19.32 | 133 CLEAR |
| WMHK LIC | COLUMBIA SC | | 209C 89.7 | 100.000 426.0 | DA 34 5 49.5 80 45 50.3 | 98.5 | 16.13 -78.87 | 95 SHORT |
| WXBT LIC | WEST COLUMBIA SC | | 261A 100.1 | 5.900 100.0 | 34 4 7.5 81 4 16.3 | 245.9 | 13.57 3.57 | 10 CLOSE |

===== END OF FM SPACING STUDY FOR CHANNEL 207 =====





W207BQ 207D Columbia
54 dBu F(50,10)



RICHLAND

W206BY 206D Sumter
60 dBu F(50,50)



SUMTER

WLJK 206C1 Aiken
60 dBu F(50,50)

W207BQ 1Adj Study Map
0 15 30 45
Kilometers
Hatfield & Dawson 8/2023

**August 2023
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RF Exposure Study**

Facilities Proposed

The proposed operation will be on Channel 207D (89.3 MHz) with an effective radiated power of 10 watts. Operation is proposed with an antenna to be mounted on an existing tower with FCC Antenna Structure Registration Number 1059176.

RF Exposure Calculations

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.

$$S(\mu W / cm^2) = \frac{33.4 \times AdjERP(Watts)}{D^2}$$

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 500 meters. Values past this point are increasingly negligible.

Calculations of the power density produced by the 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 (i.e. 238 meters below the antenna). Under this worst-case assumption, the highest calculated ground level power density from this translator alone occurs at the base of the antenna support structure. At this point the power density is calculated to be 0.01 $\mu W/cm^2$, which is <0.1% of 200 $\mu W/cm^2$ (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 500 meters from the base of the antenna support structure. Section 1.1307 of the Commission's Rules exempts 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 exposure in excess of FCC guidelines.



Mercator Projection
 WGS84
 UTM Zone 17S

