

**Radio Station NEW
OCEAN CITY MD.**

Engineering Data

**In Support of Application for
Construction Permit**

**Proposed Operation
Channel - 202B (88.3 mhz.)
Power - 50 Kw. EHAAT 150.0m.**

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(1) Introduction.

The following Engineering Data has been prepared in support of an application by The American University for authority to establish anew FM Broadcasting station at **OCEAN CITY MD.** This submission also complies with the requirements of FCC Rules 73.207, 73.509, & 73.525c. In order to accomplish this end, the transmitter site, transmitter, antenna, and transmission line must be established and installed as described in this report. A complete study, coverage maps, and pertinent information as required under the rules is included. It is shown that the proposal meets all requirements of current/former FCC Rules. The study also illustrates that no other station on the same channel or stations on adjacent channels will be precluded from upgrading facilities should this proposal be approved. The study shows, also, that existing stations, assignments, or allocations are presently limited to present operating parameters by existing conditions.

The transmitter site proposed in this application is the existing site of radio station WQHQ at Whaleysville MD. It is proposed to side mount a new 4 bay antenna on the tower below the WQHQ radiator.

The proposed site was cleared for 207.3m AMSL under FAA Rules. No height changes are proposed so further FAA clearance is not required.

The area in this district of Maryland is environmentally sensitive. The proposed site has been chosen to provide proper protected spacings, FAA clearance due to Ocean City Airport, local zoning restrictions, and Part 73 requirements. Due to the critical spacings to co-channel & adjacent channel stations, a detailed analysis is provided as part of this report. The spacing study, updated to conform with recent database changes, shows some close spaced allocations under present rules. In particular spacings to channel 201B1 Hampton VA (WFOV) and channel 203BA Washington DC (WAMU). The spacings to both these stations meet all requirements of the NCE Rules.

Of particular significance are spacings to TV channel 6 allocations to WPVI Philadelphia and WTVR Richmond VA. Analysis for both these stations using 73.525c is included for reference.

Spacing Studies included in this report were obtained from commercial database services. Can-Am Consultants Ltd. believes this information to be correct and accurate. However, the Company accepts no responsibility for incorrect or incomplete information from these sources.

Project : **NEW OCEAN CITY MD CLASS B CHANNEL STUDY**

Channel : 202B 38-23-15 N 75-17-30 W Incl. Translators.

Scan : 400 km.

Source : FCC. Spec : 73.207, 73.509, 73.525c

Call Stat.	City State/Prov	FCC Ref. Channel	ERP kw EHAAT	Latitude Longitude	Bearing True	Dist (km)	Req'd km.
WJHU Lic	Baltimore MD	201 B1	10.0DA 129.5m	39-19-53 76-39-28	312.01 132.01	158.13 +13.13	145 OK
WMUC Lic	College Pk. MD	201 D	0.01Ci 30.m	38-58-59 76-56-37	295.3 115.3	157.94 **	** OK
WJTM Lic	Frederick MD	201 B1	4.0Ci 169.2m	39-25-05 77-30-03	301.63 121.63	222.87 +77.87	145. OK
W201AJ Lic	Big Stone VA	201 D	0.01DA 30.0m	36-50-26 82-44-14	257.6 077.6	677.78 **	** **
W201AG Lic	Charlottesville VA	201 D	0.06DA 30.0m	37-58-57 78-29-00	261.82 081.82	282.55 **	** **
W201AI Lic	Coeburn VA	201 D	8.82DA 30.0m	36-56-55 82-30-00	255.07 077.07	654.13 **	** **
W201AF Lic	Fredericksbg VA	201 D	0.02DA 30.0m	38-20-12 77-28-55	268.98 088.98	191.05 **	** **
WDCJ Lic	Lorton VA	201 D	0.03H 44.19m	38-41-13 77-14-31	281.71 101.71	172.86 **	** **
W201AX Lic	Waynesboro VA	201 D	0.02DA 30.0m	38-01-44 78-51-32	263.82 083.82	314.2 **	** **
NEW CP	Edinburg VA	202 A	1.0Ci 129.8m	38-48-12 78-41-23	279.96 099.96	298.89 +120.89	178 OK
W206AD Lic	Fr. Royal VA	202 D	0.01DA 30.0m	38-58-29 78-12-09	285.4 105.4	260.96 **	** **

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Call	City	FCC Ref.	Channel	ERP kw	Latitude	Bearing	Dist	Req'd
Stat.	State/Prov		Class	EHAAT	Longitude	True	(km)	km.
WHOV Lic	Hampton VA		201 B1	8.0E11 59.43m	37-01-03 76-20-13	211.44 031.44	177.94 +32.94	145 OK
WRVL Lic	Lynchburg VA		202 C1	50.0C1 329.8m	37-11-50 79-21-07	250.9 070.9	380.49 +110.49	270 OK
W202AL Lic	Norton VA		202 D	0.01DA 30.0m	36-56-30 82-37-51	258.29 078.29	665.51 **	** **
NEW CP	Winchester VA		202 D	0.009DA 30.9m	39-10-38 78-15-53	289.74 109.74	272.24 **	** **
WAMU Lic	Washington DC		203 B	50.0C1 150.0m	38-56-09 77-05-33	291.86 111.86	167.82 -1.18	169 73.509
W203AC Lic	Paramount MD		203 D	0.16DA 30.0m	39-38-45 77-43-23	304.43 124.43	252.38 **	** **
WODC Lic	Virg. Bch VA		203 A	0.30C1 29.6m	36-50-27 76-04-54	202.27 022.27	185.52 +72.52	113 OK
WFOS Lic	Chesapeake VA		204 B1	15.5CDA 47.9m	36-43-18 76-18-03	205.96 025.96	205.48 +134.48	71 OK
WMRA Del	Harrisonburg VA		204 A	7.50C1 18.9m	38-26-22 78-54-21	272.17 092.17	314.92 +245.92	69 OK
(Del - See channel 214B - WMRA Harrisonburg VA)								
WEAA Lic	Baltimore MD		205 B1	12.5C1 353.8m	39-20-31 76-35-13	313.83 133.83	154.4 +83.4	71 OK
WCVE Lic	Richmond VA		205 B	8.30H 256.0m	37-34-00 77-28-36	245.19 065.19	212.15 +138.15	74 OK

(3) Interference Study. (Exhibit C)

A complete study was made using the proposed WQHQ site and the required spacings to co-channel, adjacent channel assignments, allocations and operating stations. The granting of 50 kw Class B status to Channel 202B at **OCEAN CITY MD.** would not preclude the upgrading of any other licensed facility, proposed facility or allocation, which is not already precluded, to next higher class.

(3) (a) Special Considerations to WAMU Washington DC

Station : WAMU Washington DC

Channel : 203B (88.5 mhz.) Power : 50.00 kw EHAAT : 152.0m. AMSL 223.m

Station Location : 38-56-09N 77-05-33W.

Station to station spacing : 167.8 km

Allowable spacing 73.207 : 169 km.

Computed clearance : -1.2 km

Shortage : -1.2 km.

WAMU Distance to Contours.

<u>Brg.</u> (deg)	<u>ERP</u> (kw)	<u>DBK</u>	<u>EHAAT</u> (m)	<u>60dbu</u> 50/50	<u>54 dbu</u> 50/10
000	50.	16.99	133.9	50.0	75.6
045	50.	16.99	143.7	51.4	77.2
090	50.	16.99	182.9	55.9	82.7
135	50.	16.99	198.6	57.2	84.6
180	50.	16.99	172.1	54.9	81.3
225	50.	16.99	130.6	49.4	75.0
270	50.	16.99	133.2	49.9	75.5
315	50.	16.99	144.0	51.3	77.1

73.509 Analysis - WAMU

112	50.	16.99	188.7	56.5	83.3
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73.509 Analysis - NEW.

292 50. 16.99 145.4 51.4 77.3

Distance between Interference Contours.

NEW to WAMU - 167.8 - 77.3 - 56.5 = 34 km.

WAMU to NEW - 167.8 - 83.3 - 51.4 = 33.1 km.

The complete plot of these contours is shown in Map #103.

(3)(b) Special Considerations to WHOV Hampton VA

Station : WHOV Hampton VA.

Channel : 201B1 (88.2mhz) Power : 8.00kw EHAAT : 61.0m.

Station to station spacing : 177.9 km

Allowable spacing 73.207 : 145 km

Computed clearance : +32.9 km

Shortage : 0

WHOV Distance to Contours.

<u>Brg.</u> <u>(deg)</u>	<u>ERP</u> <u>(kw)</u>	<u>DBK</u>	<u>EHAAT</u> <u>(m)</u>	<u>60dbu</u> <u>50/50</u>	<u>54 dbu</u> <u>50/10</u>
000	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
045	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
090	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
135	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
225	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
270	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5
315	8.0	9.03	61.0	24.2	38.5

73.509 Analysis - WHOV

031 8.0 9.03 61.0 24.2 38.5

73.509 Analysis - NEW.

211 50. 16.99 150.0 51.1 79.1

Distance between Interference Contours.

NEW to WHOV - $177.9 - 79.1 - 24.2 = 74.6$ km.

WHOV to NEW - $177.9 - 38.5 - 51.1 = 88.3$ km.

The complete plot of these contours is shown in Map #103.

3(c) Special Considerations to Channel 6 - WTVR, WPVI.

Station : WTVR Richmond VA.

Channel : TV Channel 6. Power : 100.0Hkw EHAAT : 256.0m.

Station to station spacing : 212.15 km

Allowable spacing 73.207 : 257. km

Computed clearance : -44.85km.

Shortage : -44.85 km

Protected Contour - 47 dbu 50/50 located at 102.9 km.

73.525 Protection limit.

$47 \text{ dbu (WTVR)} + 4 \text{ db (73.599-1)} + 6 \text{ db (73.525(e)(1)(iii))} = 57 \text{ dbu. (50/10)}$

NEW 57 dbu (50/10) @ 245 deg = 69.5 km

Clearance between contours - $212.15 - 102.9 - 69.5 = 39.75$ km.

The complete plot of these contours is shown in Map #103.

Station : WPVI Philadelphia PA

Channel : TV Channel 6. Power : 74.1Hkw EHAAT : 332.3m.

Station to station spacing : 184.23 km

Allowable spacing 73.207 : 257. km

Computed clearance : -72.77km.

Shortage : -72.77 km

Protected Contour - 47 dbu 50/50 located at 106.4 km. (worst case).

73.525 Protection limit.

$47 \text{ dbu (WPVI)} + 4 \text{ db (73.599-1)} + 6 \text{ db (73.525(e)(1)(iii))} = 57 \text{ dbu. (50/10)}$

NEW 57 dbu (50/10) @ 001.35 deg = 69.3 km

Clearance between contours - $184.23 - 106.4 - 69.3 = 8.53$ km.

The complete plot of these contours is shown in Map #103

3(d). NEW Distance to Contours.Station : **NEW OCEAN CITY MD**

Channel : 203B (88.3mhz.) Power : 50.0 kw (max) EHAAT : 150. m.

Table (1). NEW Contour Locations.

Brg (deg)	ERP (kw)	DBK	EHAAT (m)	Distance to Contours (km)	
				60 dbu (50/50)	54 dbu (50/10)
000	50.00	16.99	147.3	50.8	78.2
045	50.00	16.99	150.1	51.1	78.8
090	50.00	16.99	155.5	51.8	79.5
135	50.00	16.99	152.5	51.4	79.3
180	50.00	16.99	153.1	51.5	79.4
225	50.00	16.99	150.1	51.1	78.8
270	50.00	16.99	144.9	50.4	77.5
315	50.00	16.99	146.4	50.6	77.9

Exhibit D.(4) Interference To Other Services.

Within the principle city contour of the proposed station there are located a number of Public Service stations operated by the County Emergency Management group, the Maryland Natural Resources Patrol, the Maryland State Police, WQHQ, WOCQ, and Motorola Paging Services. The various operating frequencies have already been programmed into a computerized intermodulation study for WQHQ/NEW. NEW should not generate interference with existing services.

The applicant is aware of the requirements imposed under Sections 73.315, 73.316, and 73.318 of the Rules, and if this application is granted, the applicant will accept responsibility, in accordance with the Rules, for the servicing of complaints of interference caused by the incoming service.

Exhibit E.

(5) Radio Frequency Environmental Assessment.

American University proposes to construct a new FM facility near the Town of Whaleyville MD. The project is subject to the rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the Federal Aviation Administration. The site is located within the County of Worcester MD corporate limits and is adjacent to a private access road which borders the site. No additional access roads are therefore required.

The proposed construction of transmission facilities will in no way impact the present community services. The proposal meets safety requirements of OSHA in that the power density proposed is well below the maximum permissible OSHA level of 10 mw/cm^2 . In addition the lower bay of the new antenna will be 145-m above ground level or at least 65.m above the worst case ANSI minimums as specified in the bulletins using all combined power outputs for WQHQ and NEW. The base of the antenna is fenced at 20m from the base, well beyond that which considered necessary by the regulation. In addition, the property is not used by the public and the nature of the land and prominent warning signs make trespassing unlikely beyond the limits of protective fencing.

To protect authorized personnel from exposure to unwanted radiation, it will be the policy of the operators to reduce the transmitter to low power when personnel are on the tower and to shut down completely if any work is required within 20 meters of the antenna aperture.

The presence of the tower is not be the subject of controversy in the community. The antenna location is not located near any property listed in the National Register of Historic Places or in a local or state version thereof; in the National Register of National Landmarks; or in an area of study in the National Wilderness Preservation Act or in the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. The construction and operation of the proposed facility have had no effect on any species identified on the Endangered Species List. The project will not create or precipitate any identifiable long term changes in the diversity of animal species, the population density of any animal species, or change the behavior patterns of any animal population.

Exhibit 6. Environmental (Continued).

The proposal will not utilize any unusually fragile environmental area. The tower did not require any changes to the contour of the surface land nor cause any change occur to surface water turbidity. The project will not cause or precipitate any identifiable long term changes in the diversity of plant species, or in the population density of an individual native species of plants.

In summary, the proposal will have no special environmental significance. There should be no further effect on scenic, cultural, historic, architectural, archeological, or recreational uses of surrounding lands, beyond that now being experienced. There will be no deforestation, water diversion, wetland fill, or other extensive change of surface features. The proposal will not create, directly or indirectly, a permanent environmental change to animals, plants, land, or humans.

References.

Federal Communications Commission
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Washington DC 20554
Chief Mass Media Bureau.

Federal Aviation Administration
Eastern Region
JFK International A/P
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(6) System Description.

(a) Antenna. The antenna system proposed will be manufactured by Electronics-Research Industries and will bear ERI designation G5CPS-4AE. The antenna will consist of four full wave spaced bays, circularly polarized, fed at the end with 3" Helix type air filled transmission line. The antenna is known in the trade as the "Rototiller". The antenna will be non-directional. The antenna power gain is to be 2.1332 (+3.2903 db.) in vertical & horizontal planes. The antenna will be side mounted on the tower with the electrical centre 150.1m AGL, 159.2m AMSL. The electrical centre will be 150.0m AAT.

(7) Summary.

Channel - 202B Frequency - 88.3 mhz.

Co-ordinates - 38-23-15 N 75-17-30 W

Transmitter - Type accepted.

Transmission Line - 165m Cablewaves HCC 300-50J Coaxial cable or equivalent.
(Attenuation - 0.390 db/100m)

Antenna - ERI G5CPS-4AE

Tower - 198.1m AGL 207.3m AMSL overall height.

Radiating Centre - 150.1m AGL 150.0m AAT
159.2m AMSL

7 (b) ERP

Tx pwr out	27.1782 kw.	+14.3422 dbk.
Line loss	-3.7392 kw.	-0.6435 db.
Antenna Pwr in	23.4390 kw.	+13.6987 dbk.
Antenna Gain	x 2.1332	+3.2903 db
ERP	50.0000 kw.	+16.9890 dbk.

(8) Tabulation of Proposed Service Contours.

(a) Proposed Operation.

<u>Azimuth</u> <u>(deg)</u>	<u>HAAT</u> <u>(m)</u>	<u>ERP</u> <u>(kw)</u>	<u>Dist. to 70 dbu.</u> <u>(km)</u>	<u>Dist. to 60 dbu.</u> <u>(km)</u>
000	147.3	50.0	32.3	50.8
045	150.1	50.0	32.6	51.1
090	155.5	50.0	33.1	51.8
135	152.5	50.0	32.8	51.4
180	153.1	50.0	32.9	51.5
225	150.1	50.0	32.6	51.1
270	144.9	50.0	32.1	50.4
315	146.4	50.0	32.2	50.6

Average 150.

<u>Average Terrain Elevation</u>	9.2m
<u>Radiating Centre AAT</u>	150.0m
<u>Radiating Centre AMSL</u>	159.2m
<u>Radiating Centre AGL</u>	150.1m
<u>Ground Elevation</u>	9.1m.

(9) Saturation Effects. (Exhibit F).

The location of the transmitter places a high radio field over considerable territory. The applicant is a responsible broadcaster, well acquainted with the needs of the community. Should listener problems, or other problems with existing communications services occur; due to cross modulation or receiver overloading attributed to the incoming service; these will be serviced by the station in accordance with the requirements of Section 73.318 of the Rules.

(10) Population Density Figures.

	70dbu	60 dbu.
<u>Proposed Operation:</u>	3333. km ² 31,554. Persons	8199. km ² 188,504. Persons.

Note (1): Due to expanse of territory under water, the usable coverage area should be reduced as follows :

2967. km ²	6231. km ²
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Note (2): Population information for full year residence - Source C. of C., US Census. Increase in population during Summer months approximately 10 times.

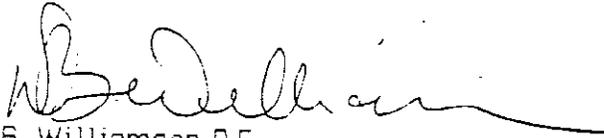
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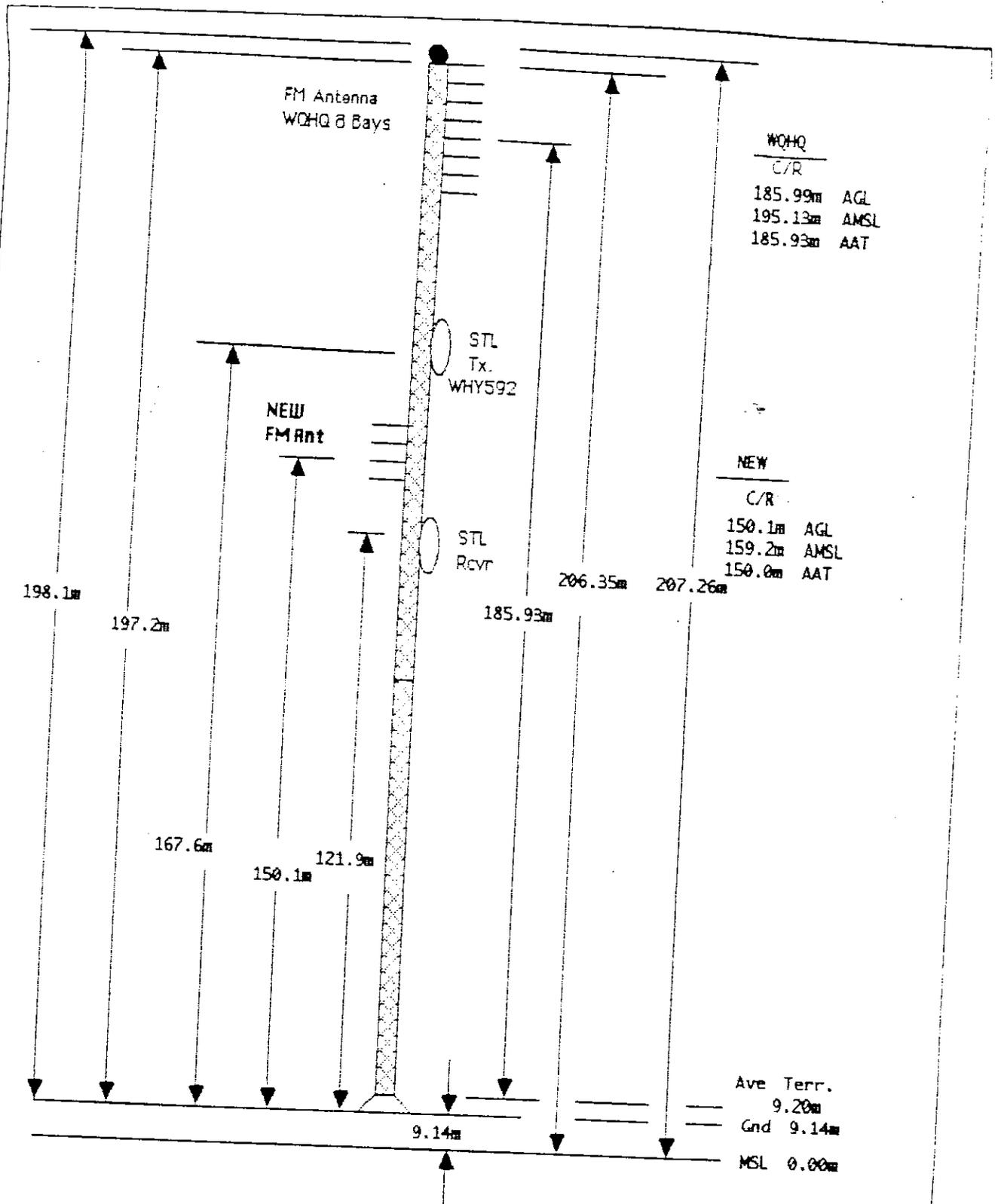
(11) Special Considerations - Antenna Tower.

It is proposed to side-mount the proposed FM antenna on a tower presently in use by WQHQ Salisbury-Ocean City MD. The site will be shared with other services operating on an assortment of VHF and UHF frequencies and microwave services. Intermodulation studies have been performed on the known combinations with no obvious problems evident. It is proposed to isolate the two transmitters with standard ERI filters as shown in the sketch should field tests show them to be required. The applicant agrees to co-operate with other users to allow the site to be used by all licensed operators without co-interference.

Respectfully submitted,



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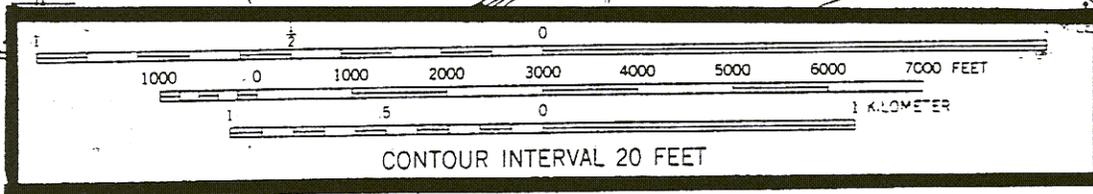


Antenna Elevation Sketch - WQHQ Tower.
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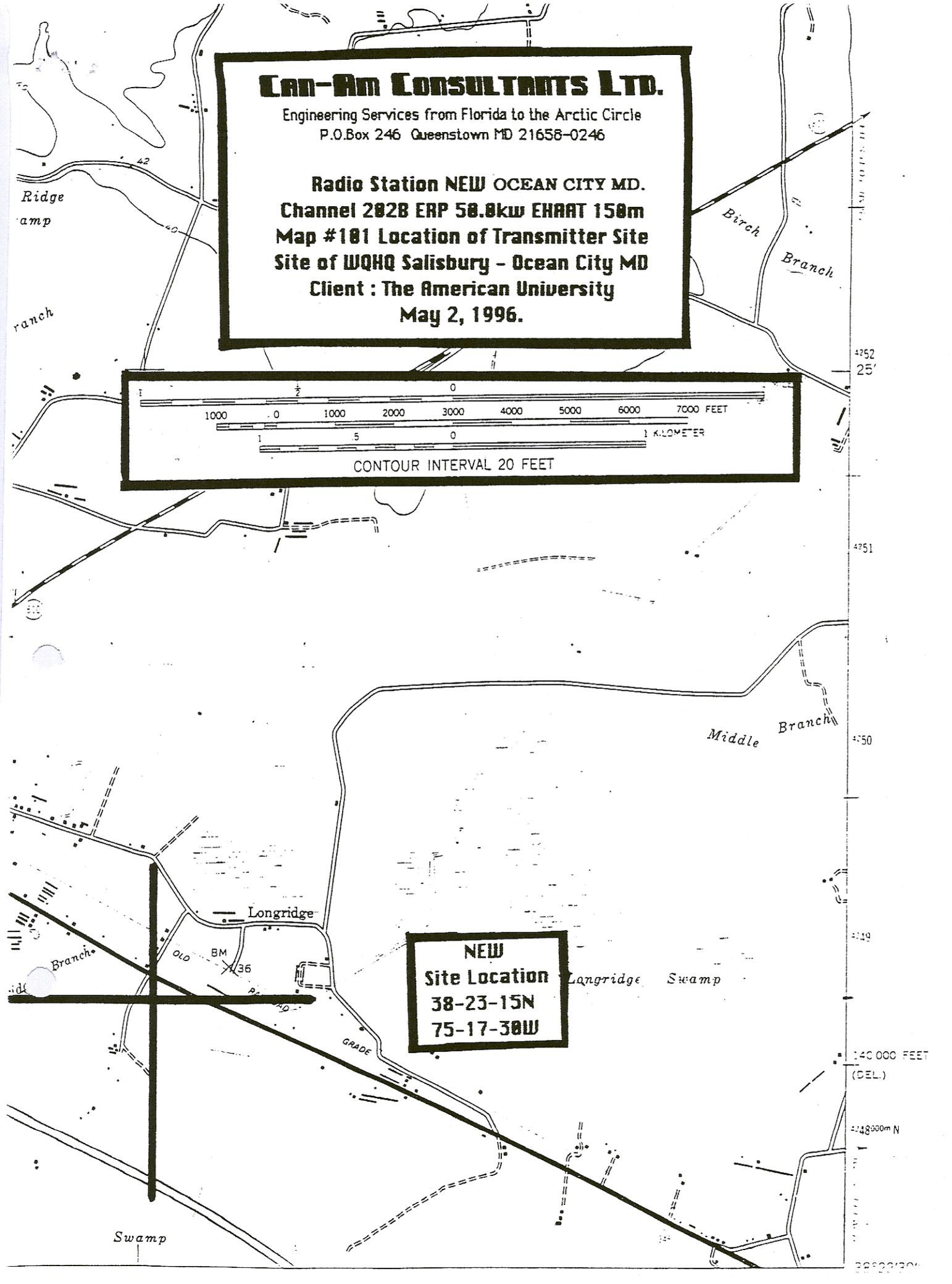
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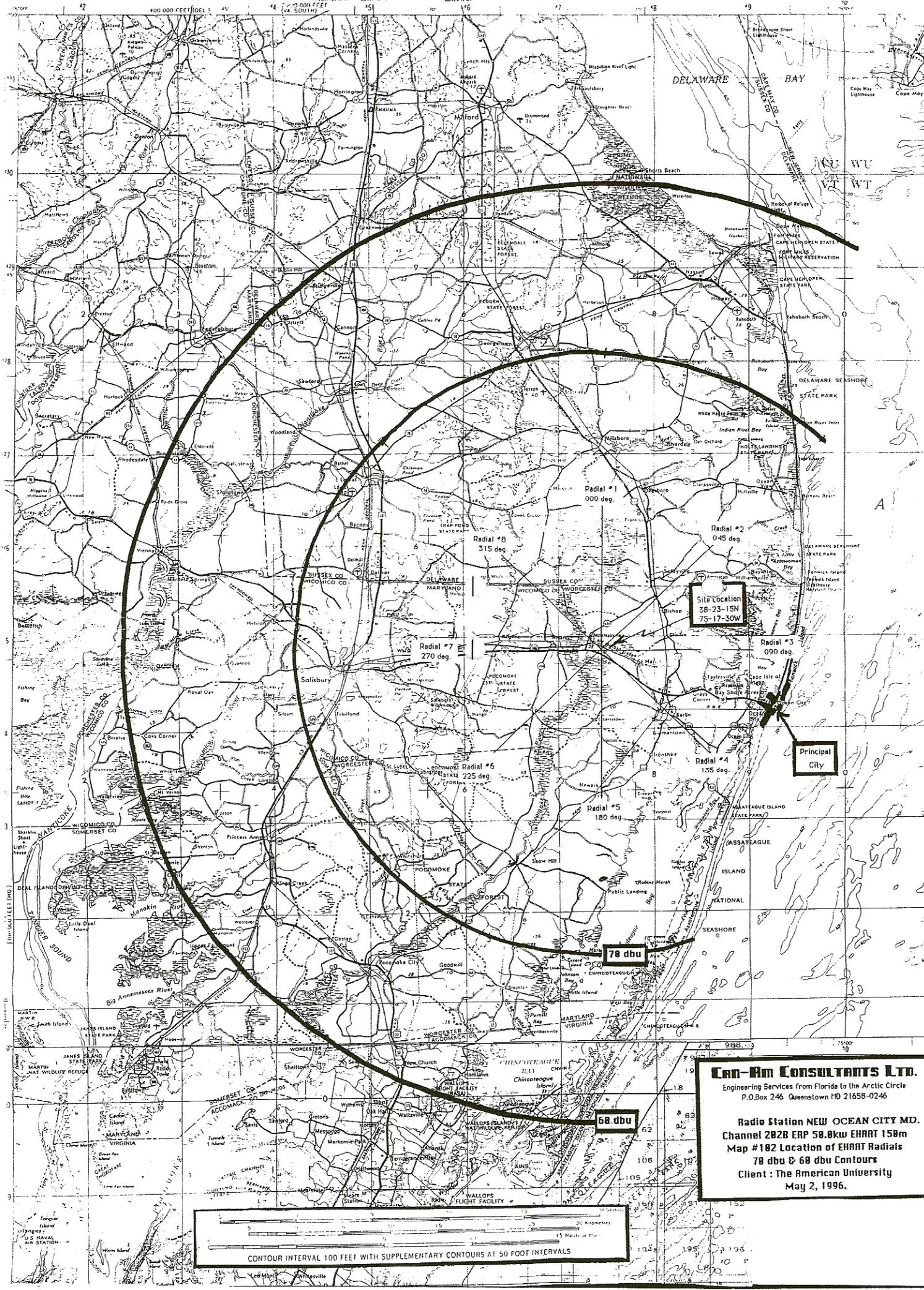
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Map #101 Location of Transmitter Site
Site of WQHQ Salisbury - Ocean City MD
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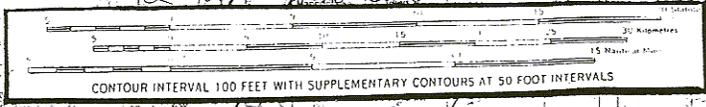
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38-23-15N
75-17-30W





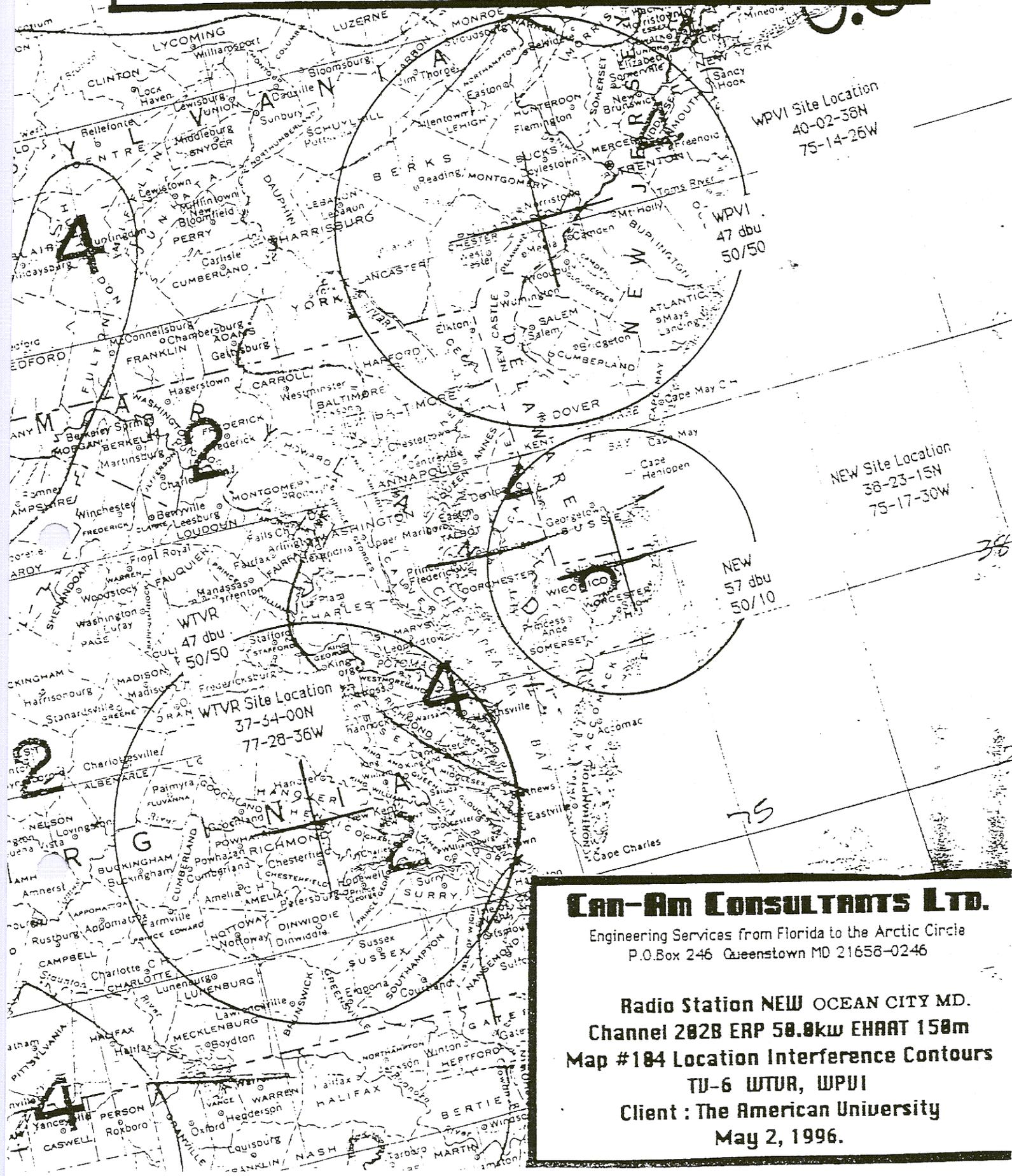
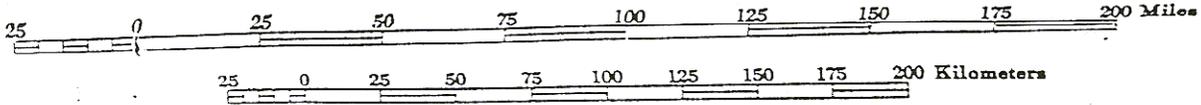
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Radio Station NEW OCEAN CITY MD.
Channel 282B ERP 58.8kw EHAAT 158m
Map #182 Location of EHAAT Radials
78 dbu @ 68 dbu Contours
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1 inch equals approximately 40 miles

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Map #184 Location Interference Contours

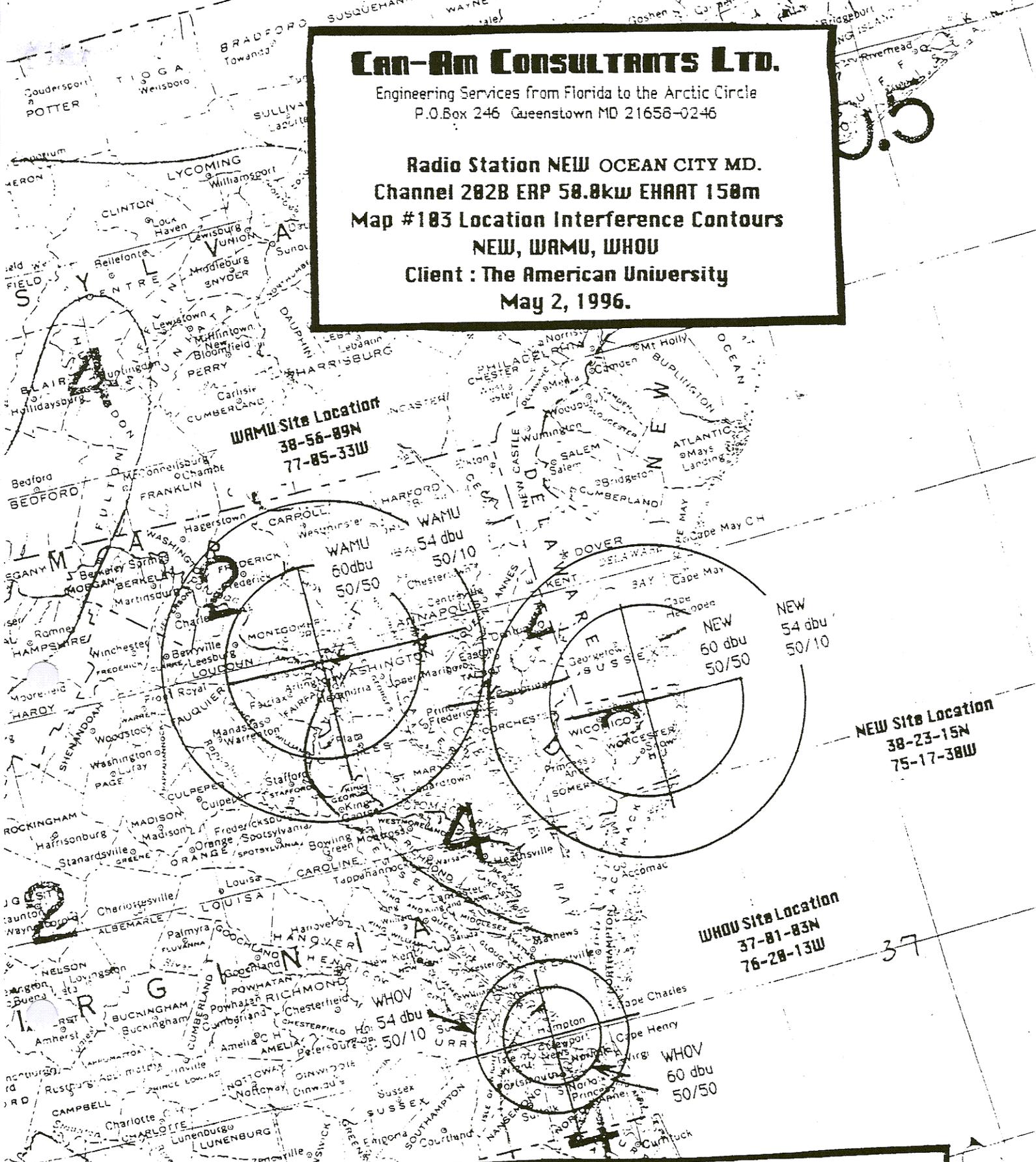
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Map #183 Location Interference Contours
NEW, WAMU, WHOV
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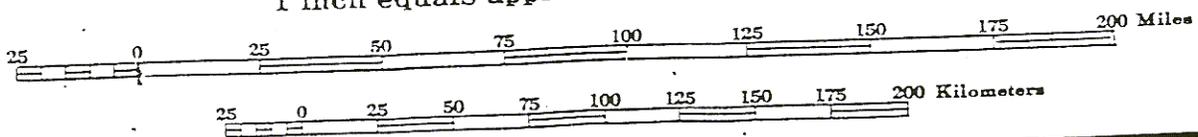
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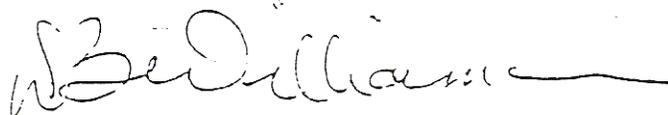
1 inch equals approximately 40 miles

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Engineering Certification

Donald B. Williamson certifies that he is the President of Can-Am Consultants Ltd., an Engineering Consulting Firm incorporated under the laws of the American State of Maryland, the Canadian Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and Alberta ; that he is a graduate Electrical Engineer holding a degree in Electrical Engineering from McGill University, Montreal Canada, licensed to practice engineering as a Designated Consulting Engineer and that his qualifications are well known to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington D.C. and to Communications Canada, Ottawa Canada. This Engineering Report and accompanying exhibits were prepared by him or under his direction on behalf of The American University and the technical information provided is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief. File information used in this submission has been obtained from commercial data base sources and is also believed to be correct.



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