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Red Wolf Broadcasting Corporation
758 Colonel Ledyard Highway
P. O. Box 357
Ledyard, CT 06339

In re: INTERFERENCE COMPLAINT
W285DE, Bridgeport, CT
BLFT-20120824ABC
Facility ID # 15398

Dear Licensee:

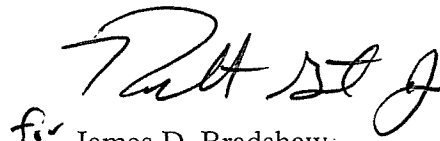
This refers to interference complaints filed three listeners of WIHS(FM), Middletown, Connecticut. The interference complaints are attached. The complaints allege that W285DE is interfering with the reception of WIHS(FM).

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 74.1203, W285DE is required to eliminate any actual interference it causes. Therefore, it is necessary for W285DE to submit a detailed report on the attached complaint. For the complaint, the report must include: (1) the name and address of the complainant; (2) specific devices receiving the interference (i.e. type of device, manufacturer's name, model number, and serial number); and (3) any assistance provided by W285DE for each device allegedly receiving the interference and whether such interference persists. Each of the complaints must be addressed individually.

The Commission's Rules regarding FM translators restrict FM translator stations to operate strictly on a secondary basis and limit their service. Section 74.1203(a)(3) states that an FM translator station will not be permitted to continue to operate if it causes any actual radio signal interference to the direct reception by the public of the off-the-air signals of any authorized broadcast station.¹ Actual interference is based on listener complaints indicating that the signal they regularly receive is being impaired by the signal radiated by the FM translator station. Section 74.1203(b) states that if the interference cannot be properly eliminated by the application of suitable techniques, the operation of the offending FM translator station shall be suspended and shall not be resumed until the interference has been eliminated.

¹ An FM translator station creating actual radio signal interference to any authorized broadcast station is obligated to eliminate the interference, regardless of the location where the impaired signal reception occurs.

Within thirty days of this letter, W285DE must take appropriate actions required by the provisions of 47 C.F.R. § 74.1203 to resolve all complaints of interference to fulfill its obligations. Further action on this complaint will be withheld for a period of thirty days from the date of this letter to provide W285DE an opportunity to respond. Failure to correct all complaints within this time may require W285DE to suspend operation pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 74.1203(e) and 74.1232(h).

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Bradshaw".

James D. Bradshaw
Deputy Chief
Audio Division
Media Bureau

Attachment

CC: Scott Woodworth (by email)
G. J. Gerard (by email)

Robert Gates

From: radioinfo
Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2012 11:06 AM
To: Robert Gates
Cc: Konrad Herling
Subject: FW: Interference complaint

-----Original Message-----

From: WillieBthe3rd@aol.com [mailto:WillieBthe3rd@aol.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 6:56 PM
To: radioinfo
Subject: Re: Interference complaint

To whom it may concern,

On August 16'th, I submitted an e-mail complaint, regarding severe interference to radio station WIHS, 104.9 FM, in my area. It has been a full month since I wrote that complaint, and I have had no response. The interference remains, exactly as described in my first e-mail.

Recap: I live in West Haven, CT and work in Orange, CT. Along approximately 1/2 of my route to/from work, WIHS is being covered-over by another station playing loud Spanish music. This problem has continued since the beginning of August. Before that, WIHS was clear and very listenable along this entire route. I am also receiving a noticable "hiss" noise under WIHS' signal at home, ever since this began. When I would make errand trips into Milford, WIHS was always listenable. Now, this Spanish station covers them up almost completely. This is unacceptable!

I have since learned that the interference is coming from a "translator station" in Bridgeport, CT, that has drastically increased its power at the beginning of August, which explains the timing of this interference! I don't understand how this could have been permitted, considering that WIHS has been serving this area on 104.9 for many years.

Please take whatever action is necessary to eliminate this interference as soon as possible, as it is CONSTANT and very annoying, every day!

Thank you for your attention.

William Barnett III
52 Cullen Ave,
West Haven, CT 06516
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Federal Communications Commission
Attn: Radio Station Interference
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20544

Dear To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Mrs. Elsie Tamm and I live on 14 Locust Ave, Miller Place, NY 11764.

I'm 82 years old and have been listening to WIHS for over 20 years. The station always comes in clear and strong and I depended on listening each day since I was home bound due to illness. Many others with similar situations are upset also since we are unable to listen at any time due to a strong interference from another station that is very loud and wipes out WIHS. I cannot understand why this is happening and would be very grateful if you would look into this situation and restore our station WIHS and programs for me to enjoy again.

Thank you very much for your help to restore the WIHS radio station frequency.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Elsie Tamm

cc: WIHS Radio Station

Dale Bickel

From: radioinfo
Sent: Sunday, September 16, 2012 11:05 AM
To: Dale Bickel
Cc: Konrad Herling
Subject: FW: 104.9fm radio signal/station in Ct !

From: Frank Masso [mailto:bibleprophecyusa@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:27 AM
To: radioinfo
Subject: 104.9fm radio signal/station in Ct !

frank masso
101 hollister street
strfd,ct 06615
203-378-3782
9/15/12

sometimes i listened to a christian radio station in middletown,ct over 104.9fm in Ct ! as of august till now - i cannot get them in any more ! i now hear a spanish station coming over 104.9fm --- where i live and travel in milford,strfd,bpt,ct ! other listeners i have been told experience the same problems !

i was told some radio station in hartford,ct is doing this and its legal because they have a translator station in bpt,ct coming over 104.9fm ! is this true ? is this legal ?

what can you do for me (and others) that can no longer get the christian station on 104.9fm over our radio in fairfield county/ct anymore ? please reply - thanks,frank masso