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# BROADCAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. ENGINEERING AMENDMENT TO BMPFT-20180928ACZ

## FM TRANSLATOR STATION W237CX/W286CZ GREENSBURG, PA FACILITY ID: 141826

MINOR AMENDMENT TO PENDING APPLICATION
CHANGE SITE LOCATION
ANTENNA SYSTEM AND RADIATED POWER (ERP)

**OCTOBER 2018** 

ENGINEERING EXHIBIT
IN SUPPORT OF

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO
CONSTRUCT OR MAKE CHANGES IN AN
FM TRANSLATOR OR FM BOOSTER STATION

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#### NARRATIVE STATEMENT

The engineering exhibit, of which this narrative is part, was prepared on behalf of BROADCAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., in support of an amendment to its pending application for modification of its underlying construction permit. The station will provide "fill-in" service for co-owned and licensed AM Broadcast Station WKFB, Jeannette, Pennsylvania, FCC Facility ID: 10026. No change in the designation of the primary station is sought.

#### Amendment Details:

This engineering amendment seeks a change in the antenna/transmission site, the antenna type to be utilized, and the effective radiated power of the facility. The changes sought are classified as "minor" by the Commission's application processing rules.

The proposal remains within the 250-mile radius of its licensed facility as required in the first FM filing window for minor changes to existing facilities (in which the original construction permit was obtained) and 60 dBu (f(50,50) contour overlap occurs between this proposal and the original construction permit. Thus, this proposal is rule compliant with regards to permitted minor changes to AM/FM translator 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> filing window applications. No change in the primary AM station to be rebroadcast will occur.

In support of the requested changes the following figures, exhibits or tables are provided:

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<u>Figure 1 – Supporting Structure Tower Registration:</u> FCC ASR number 1010463 has been issued for this 123.1 meter (AGL) supporting structure. No changes are proposed in the structures overall height. Applicant proposes to side-mount its antenna at 109 meters (AGL).

<u>Figure 2 – Vertical Sketch of Tower and Antenna:</u> A vertical sketch of antenna supporting structure with the antenna mounting elevation and other antenna details is provided.

<u>Figure 3 – Directional Antennas Details:</u> Tabulation and relative field polar plot of the proposed directional antenna. The antenna is a NICOM BKG-77, a single bay/element antenna.

Figure 4 – Predicted Service Contour & Primary Station Service Area: The predicted service contour for the FM translator facility was calculated in accordance with the provisions of 47 CFR 73.313. The average terrain elevations from 3 to 16 kilometers from the proposed translator site were obtained from the NGDC 30-second computer database. The standard twelve radials evenly spaced at 30-degree intervals were used for determining the distance to the 60 dBu translator service contour. The 2 mV/m daytime groundwave contour from the primary AM station was computed using the soil conductivity values from the FCC M3 soil conductivity map. The predicted coverage contours for both stations have been drawn. As the map shows, the predicted service contour (60 dBu) from the translator lies COMPLETELY inside the WKFB 2.0 mV/m daytime groundwave contour. This proposal complies with the FCC's requirements for AM cross-service fill-in translators.

<u>Figure 5 – FM Channel Study with Wavier Request to 2<sup>nd</sup> Adjacent Station:</u> The proposed operation fully protects all other stations of concern as detailed in the contour

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overlap study in Figure 5. Applicant requests processing of this application with a waiver request regarding the contour overlap with second adjacent channel station WPGB, Pittsburgh, PA FCC Facility ID: 18511. Details of the waiver request are included in Figure 5. Interference from this proposal to WPGB does not occur as the interference contour does not touch or reach the surface of the earth. Therefore, no population within the interference contour exists and a grant of the waiver request concerning WPGB is permissible and in the public interest as no interference is caused to any populated area.

<u>Environmental Considerations:</u> The applicant believes its proposal will not significantly affect the environment for the following reasons:

The proposal does not meet any of the criteria specified in Section 1.1307 of the FCC Rules. More specifically, the proposed facilities are <u>not</u> known to fall within any of the categories enumerated in Sections 1.1307(a)(1)-(7) and will <u>not</u> involve the use of high intensity white lights. Furthermore, operation of the proposed facility will not involve the exposure of workers or the general public to levels of radio frequency electromagnetic fields exceeding guidelines adopted by the Federal Communications Commission. (The current FCC guidelines are based upon criteria contained in the National Council of Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) Report No.86 (1986) and ANSI/IEEE C95.1-1992.)

The results of the FCC FM Model computer program output indicate that the power density from this proposal using a "Type 1 or Other" EPA model antenna is predicted to be  $0.3688~\mu\text{W/cm}^2$  or less. The computed power density is 0.0037% of the Commission's guidelines for a controlled area and 0.18% for an uncontrolled area. This level is well below the Commission's guidelines for maximum exposure levels to electromagnetic fields and no further study is required.

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The applicant will fully-cooperate and coordinate with all site users as required by the

Commission's rules.

Summary: The proposed FM translator will operate as a fill-in translator for AM

Broadcast Station WKFB, Jeannette, Pennsylvania, with a maximum ERP 0.105-

kilowatts (H & V Polarization), utilizing a simple one-bay (element) DIRECTIONAL

antenna system operating on FM Channel 286D (105.1 MHZ).

The proposed operation is fully in compliance with all areas of the Commission's rules

and applicable international agreements. A WAIVER request to the extent necessary

is included in the exhibits (see Figure 5) with regards to protection to 2<sup>nd</sup>-Adjacent

Channel WPGB, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The request is based upon no population

within the predicted interference area from this proposal.

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FCC Registration Number (FRN): 0005851688

ATTN: ROBERT M. STEV BROADCAST COMMUNIC 245 BROWN ST	ATIONS, INC.	Antenna Structure Registration Number 1010463			
GREENSBURG, PA 15601			Issue Date 09/18/2003		
Location of Antenna Structure OFF FARM SPUR RD 3.2 F		)	Ground Elevation (AMSL) 350.5 meters		
HERMINIE, PA 15678 WESTMORELAND			Overall Height Above Ground (AGL) 123.1 meters		
Latitude 40- 17- 20.0 N	Longitude 079- 42- 03.0 W	NAD83	Overall Height Above Mean Sea Level (AMSL) 473.6 meters		

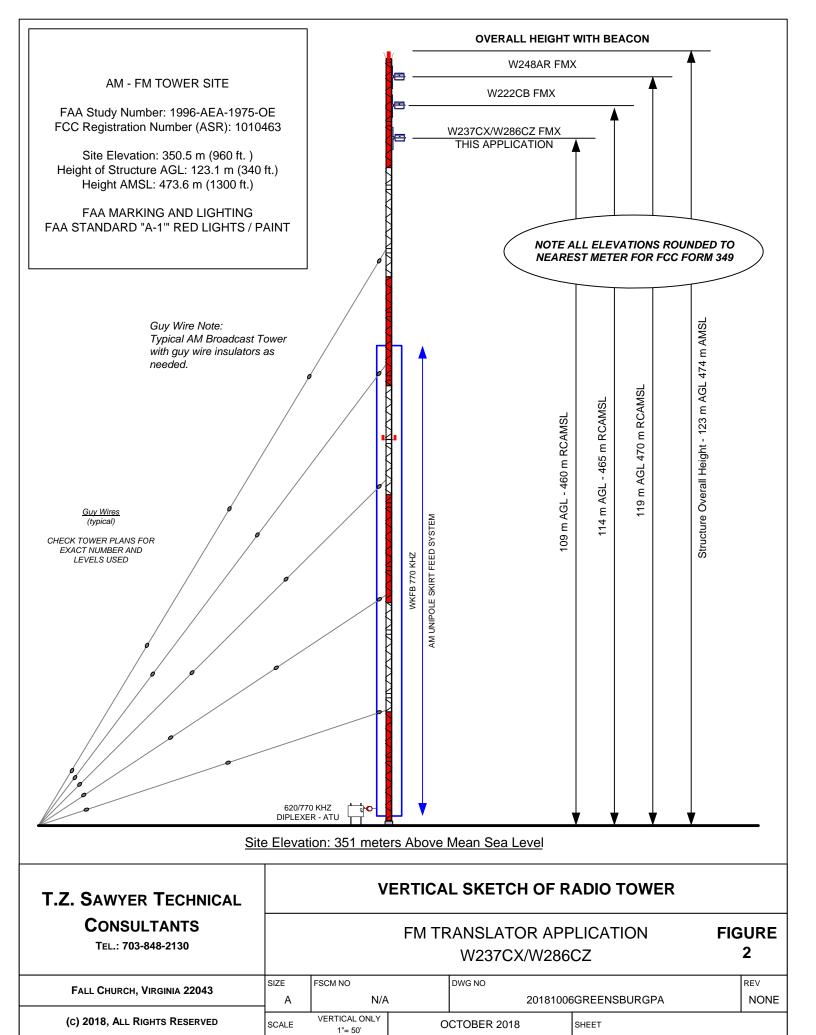
Painting and Lighting Requirements:

**FAA Chapters 3, 4, 5, 13** 

Paint and Light in Accordance with FAA Circular Number 70/7460-1J

### NO CHANGE IN THIS STRUCTURE'S OVERALL HEIGHT - NO FAA NOTICE REQUIRED

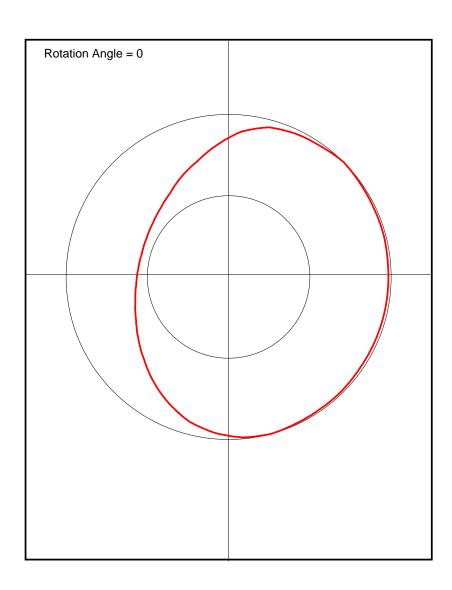
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CONSULTANTS Tel.: (703) 848-2130 www.tzsawyer.com		EXISTING TOWER FIGURE  FM TRANSLATOR APPLCATION 1  MODIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT				
FALL CHURCH, VIRGINIA 22043-2555	SIZE A	CAGE NO N/A		DWG NO 201810	06GREENSBERGPA	REV NONE
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### NIC BKG-77 DA ANTENNA PATTERN TABULATION AND PLOT FIGURE 3

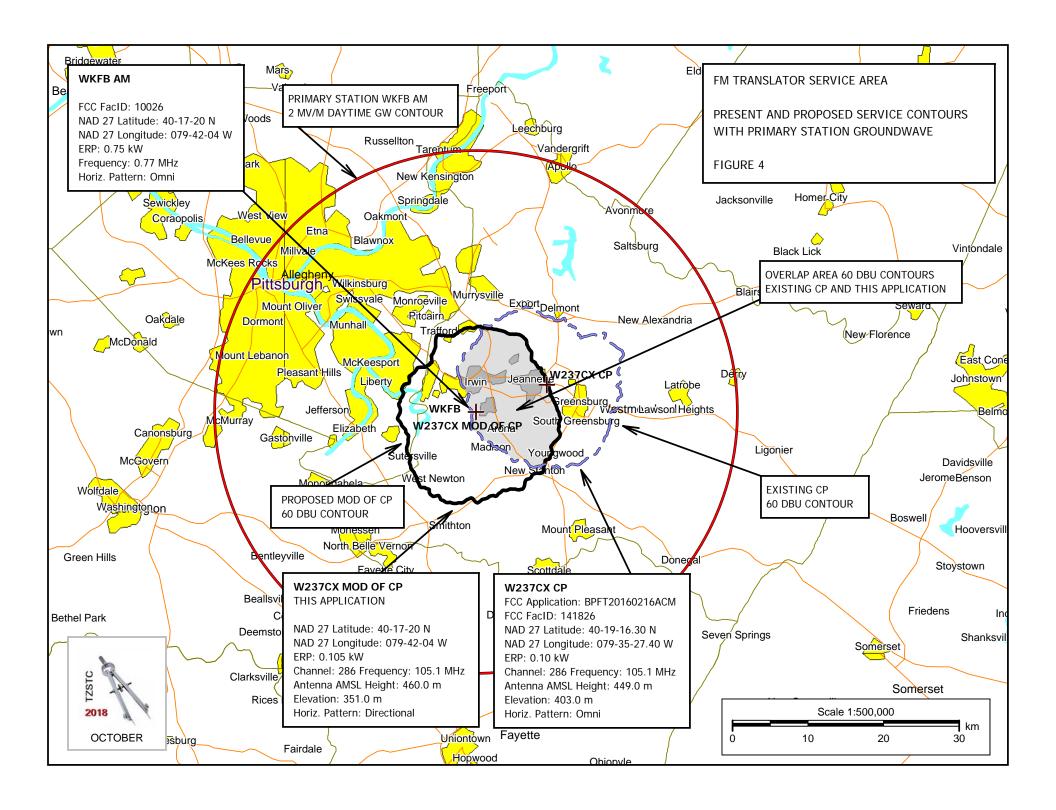
#### No - Rotation Antenna Pattern

No - Rotation Antenna F	
Azimuth (deg)	Relative Field
0.0	0.856
10.0	0.925
20.0	0.963
30.0	0.978
40.0	0.992
50.0	0.996
60.0	0.99
70.0	0.988
80.0	0.985
90.0	0.983
100.0	0.983
110.0	0.983
120.0	0.983
130.0	0.985
140.0	0.988
150.0	0.99
160.0	0.996
170.0	0.995
180.0	0.977
190.0	0.943
200.0	0.892
210.0	0.829
220.0	0.764
230.0	0.704
240.0	0.652
250.0	0.611
260.0	0.582
270.0	0.564
280.0	0.556 MIN
290.0	0.556 MIN
300.0	0.564
310.0	0.582
320.0	0.611
330.0 340.0	0.655 0.71
350.0	0.71
300.0	0.770
EXTRA AZIMITH (DEC)	



### EXTRA AZIMUTH (DEG)

45.0	1.000 MAX
165.0	1.000 MAX



CH# 286D - 105.1 MHz, Pwr= 0.105 kW DA, HAAT= 138.4 M, COR= 460 M REFERENCE Average Protected F(50-50)= 12.2 km 40 17 20.0 N. 79 42 04.0 W. Standard Directional CH CALL TYPE ANT AZI. DIST LAT. Pwr(kW) INT(km) PRO(km) \*IN\* STATE <-- FILE # LNG. HAAT(M) COR(M) LICENSEE (Overlap in km) NOTES CITY \_\_\_\_\_\_ -41.6\* LIC C 40 53 08.0 88.000 148.2 68.0 286B WOXK 305.2 116.42 2.9 CLEAR Salem OH 124.4 BLH20000410ACM 80 49 55.0 494 Cumulus Licensing Llc 136 286D W237CX 68.9 10.02 CP C 40 19 16.3 0.100 36.3 10.7 -36.5\* -35.2 #1 Greensburg PA 249.0 BPFT20160216ACM 79 35 27.4 449 Broadcast Communications, 284B WPGB LIC NCN 309.4 32.18 40 28 20.0 13.000 5.4 65.0 17.1 #2 -33.7 567 Capstar Tx, Llc, As Debtor PA 129.2 BLH20010723AAM 79 59 41.0 252 Pittsburgh 284B WPGB CP NCX 307.1 32.22 40 27 47.5 14.500 5.3 63.6 17.2 -32.2 #3 PA 126.9 BPH20180823AAP 80 00 16.3 232 542 Capstar Tx, Llc, As Debtor Pittsburgh 0.130 286D W286AL LIC DC 218.4 59.36 39 52 12.0 53.8 16.7 -6.6 2.6 CLEAR Waynesburg PA 38.2 BLFT20100803ACY 80 08 01.0 191 546 Broadcast Communications, 287B WFRB-FM LIC CX 136.8 92.02 39 41 00.4 13.500 72.9 62.0 7.5 5.1 CLEAR 292 966 Fm Radio Licenses, Llc Frostburg MD 317.3 BMLH20160201ANF 78 57 55.0 233B WWSW-FM LIC CN 307.1 32.26 40 27 48.0 50.000 0.0 0.0 15.0R 17.3M CLEAR PA 126.9 BMLH19821004BH 80 00 18.0 558 Amfm Radio Licenses, L.l.c Pittsburgh 247 288D W288B0 LIC DC 309.4 32.15 40 28 19.0 0.040 0.4 14.4 22.0 17.3 CLEAR Pittsburgh PA 129.2 BLFT20180501AAK 79 59 40.0 586 Fm Radio Licenses, Llc

Terrain database is NGDC 30 SEC, R= 73.215 qualifying spacings or FCC minimum spacings in KM, M= Margin in KM In & Out distances between contours are shown at closest points.

#### STUDY NOTES:

Reference station has protected zone issue: AM tower - CO LOCATED WITH CO-OWNED AM STATION WKFB (PRIMARY STATIION) #1 EXISTING FACILITY CP - CONTOUR OVERLAP MINOR CHANGE (FIGURE 4)

- #2 WPGB 2ND ADJACENT CHANNEL LICENSED FACILITY WAIVER REQUEST ATTACHED TO THIS EXHIBIT (FIGURES 5-2 & 5-3)
- #3 WPGB 2ND ADJACENT CHANNEL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT WAIVER REQUEST ATTACHED TO THIS EXHIBIT (FIGURES 5-4 & 5-5)
- NO INTERFERENCE OCCURS NO POPULATION WITHIN INTERFERENCE CONTOUR FROM THIS PROPOSAL

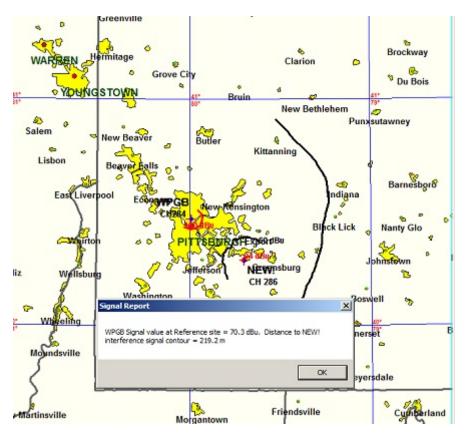
#### SECOND-ADJACENT CHANNEL WAIVER REQUEST

Station WPGB (Ch. 284B) - Licensed Facility

Basis for Waiver Request: No population within predicted interference contour area.

Second-Adjacent Channel Station WPGB (Ch.284B), the licensed facility, is predicted to have a signal level of 70.3 dBu at the proposed site (the reference site). The D/U (desired to undesired) signal ratio is 40 dBu. Thus, the interfering signal level from this proposal is 70.3 + 40 = 110.3 dBu to WPGB

The map below shows the calculated predicted signal level from WPGB at the proposed translator site, and the predicted interfering contour distance (maximum horizontal distance).



As detailed on the following pages, the interference signal from this proposal does not reach the ground, or any populated or traveled areas and cannot cause interference to any populated areas when the downward radiation characteristics of the specified antenna system are used.

There are no tall building, roof tops, or other occupied spaces within the interference contour from this proposal. Thus no interference is predicted to occur to a populated area, and a grant of this wavier request is in the public interest as no harm would be caused by a grant of the proposal.

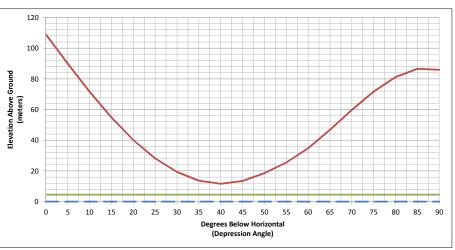
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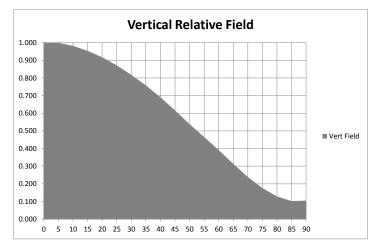
Manufacturer Model Number of Bays Inter-Bay Spacing

<u>Antenna</u>		
	NIC	
	BKG-77	
	1	
	FULLWAVE	

Center of Radiation:	109	m AGL
Effective Radiated Power (ERP):	105	Watts
Interference Contour FS:	110.3	dBu
E Field Strength:	0.25586	V/m
Free Space Impedance:	377	Ohms
Power Density:	0.00017364	W/m^2
Maximum Free Space Distance:	219.36	meters

DEDDECCION ANGLE	REL	ATIVE	ERP		IN METERS		
DEPRESSION ANGLE	FIELD	POWER	WATTS	VECTOR LENGTH	HORIZONTAL	VERTICAL	AGL
0	1.0000	1.0000	105.00	219.36	219.36	0.00	109.00
5	0.9990	0.9980	104.79	219.14	218.31	19.10	89.90
10	0.9820	0.9643	101.25	215.41	212.14	37.41	71.59
15	0.9540	0.9101	95.56	209.27	202.14	54.16	54.84
20	0.9180	0.8427	88.49	201.37	189.23	68.87	40.13
25	0.8720	0.7604	79.84	191.28	173.36	80.84	28.16
30	0.8180	0.6691	70.26	179.44	155.40	89.72	19.28
35	0.7580	0.5746	60.33	166.28	136.21	95.37	13.63
40	0.6910	0.4775	50.14	151.58	116.12	97.43	11.57
45	0.6160	0.3795	39.84	135.13	95.55	95.55	13.45
50	0.5380	0.2894	30.39	118.02	75.86	90.41	18.59
55	0.4650	0.2162	22.70	102.00	58.51	83.56	25.44
60	0.3910	0.1529	16.05	85.77	42.89	74.28	34.72
65	0.3130	0.0980	10.29	68.66	29.02	62.23	46.77
70	0.2390	0.0571	6.00	52.43	17.93	49.27	59.73
75	0.1760	0.0310	3.25	38.61	9.99	37.29	71.71
80	0.1290	0.0166	1.75	28.30	4.91	27.87	81.13
85	0.1030	0.0106	1.11	22.59	1.97	22.51	86.49
90	0.1050	0.0110	1.16	23.03	0.00	23.03	85.97







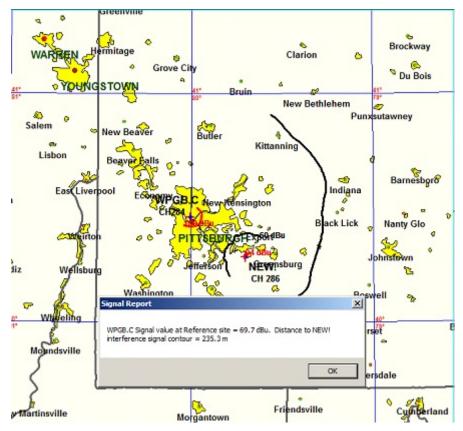
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Station WPGB (Ch. 284B) - Construction Permit Facility

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Effective Radiated Power (ERP):	105	Watts
Interference Contour FS:	109.7	dBu
E Field Strength:	0.23878	V/m
Free Space Impedance:	377	Ohms
Power Density:	0.00015124	W/m^2
Maximum Free Space Distance:	235.05	meters

DEPRESSION ANGLE	REL	ATIVE	ERP		IN METERS	IN METERS		
DEPRESSION ANGLE	FIELD	POWER	WATTS	VECTOR LENGTH	HORIZONTAL	VERTICAL	AGL	
0	1.0000	1.0000	105.00	235.05	235.05	0.00	109.00	
5	0.9990	0.9980	104.79	234.82	233.92	20.47	88.53	
10	0.9820	0.9643	101.25	230.82	227.31	40.08	68.92	
15	0.9540	0.9101	95.56	224.24	216.60	58.04	50.96	
20	0.9180	0.8427	88.49	215.78	202.76	73.80	35.20	
25	0.8720	0.7604	79.84	204.96	185.76	86.62	22.38	
30	0.8180	0.6691	70.26	192.27	166.51	96.14	12.86	
35	0.7580	0.5746	60.33	178.17	145.95	102.19	6.81	
40	0.6910	0.4775	50.14	162.42	124.42	104.40	4.60	
45	0.6160	0.3795	39.84	144.79	102.38	102.38	6.62	
50	0.5380	0.2894	30.39	126.46	81.28	96.87	12.13	
55	0.4650	0.2162	22.70	109.30	62.69	89.53	19.47	
60	0.3910	0.1529	16.05	91.90	45.95	79.59	29.41	
65	0.3130	0.0980	10.29	73.57	31.09	66.68	42.32	
70	0.2390	0.0571	6.00	56.18	19.21	52.79	56.21	
75	0.1760	0.0310	3.25	41.37	10.71	39.96	69.04	
80	0.1290	0.0166	1.75	30.32	5.27	29.86	79.14	
85	0.1030	0.0106	1.11	24.21	2.11	24.12	84.88	
90	0.1050	0.0110	1.16	24.68	0.00	24.68	84.32	

