

Asheville, North Carolina
Long Form Application for FM Translator 1564408
File Number BNPFT-20030317IDO
On Channel 271
by
Isothermal Community College

Exhibit 13
Interference Analysis

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Declaration

I declare, under penalty of perjury, that I am a technical consultant to broadcasting and other communications systems, that I have over twenty-five years of experience in the engineering of broadcast and other communications systems, that I am familiar with the Federal Communications Commission's Rules found in the Code of Federal Regulations Title 47, that I am a Professional Engineer registered in North Carolina, that I have prepared or supervised the preparation of the attached Exhibit 13, Interference Analysis, for Isothermal Community College, and that all of the facts therein, except for facts of which the Federal Communications Commission may take official notice, are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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Narrative

This Exhibit supports a long form application for CDBS application ID 1564408, an amended “Tech Box” application in response to a filing window¹ for FM translator file number BNPFT-20030317IDO, CDBS application ID 649980, on Channel 271 in Asheville, North Carolina. Allocation details are provided in this exhibit. The application proposes reduction of power from the tech box filing.

This proposal creates no new mutual exclusivities with any Auction 83 Tech Box filings or any other facility. A preclusion showing, provided in the amendment, is unchanged.

Figure 1 shows the proposed 60 dBu F(50,50) coverage area. The primary station WNCW 60 dBu F(50,50) contour is also shown.

Allocations

This application proposes service to Asheville, North Carolina, on channel 271. An updated Table 1: Allocations is included in this exhibit with a list of the stations, construction permits, allocations, and applications studied. All are protected by this application, with the exception of facilities which are listed in Table 2 below. Those facilities are protected by the Desired to Undesired (D/U) Ratio method which is described below.

¹ *Public Notice, Media Bureau Announces FM Translator Auction 83 Filing Window and Filing Procedures, August 30, 2013 Deadline Set for Form 349 Applications for Certain Non-Mutually Exclusive Tech Box Proposals*, Report No. AUC-03-83-E, DA13-1675, released July 31, 2013.

Table 1: Allocations

Allocation Study											
Isothermal Community College											
CH# 271D - 102.1 MHz, Pwr= 0.005 kw DA, HAAT= 0.0 M, COR= 748 M											
Average Protected F(50-50)= 2.7 km											
Standard Directional											
DISPLAY DATES											
DATA 08-28-13											
SEARCH 08-28-13											
CH	CALL	TYPE	ANT	AZI.	DIST	LAT.	Pwr(kw)	INT(km)	PRO(km)	*IN*	*OUT*
CITY		STATE		<--	FILE #	LNG.	HAAT(M)	COR(M)	LICENSEE	(Overlap	in km)
271C1	WWST	LIC	CN	283.8	103.84	35 48 41.0	15.000	161.6	73.8	-60.7*	27.0
Sevierville			TN	103.1	BLH19860519KF	83 40 08.0	603	981	Journal Broadcast	Corporat	
271D	1564408	APP	DC	0.0	0.00	35 35 42.0	0.015	15.9	4.9	-19.6*	-16.8*
Asheville			NC	0.0	BNPFT20030317IDO	82 33 09.0		748	Isothermal Community College		
Tech box facility for which this is the long form application											
273C1	WMYI	LIC	NC	185.7	50.99	35 08 15.6	44.000	7.8	62.8	41.3	-11.9*
Hendersonville			NC	5.7	BLH20110929AKK	82 36 30.6	416	1079	Capstar Tx Lic		
Protected by U/D ratio, see text and figures.											
268C	WQUT	LIC	CY	14.3	77.18	36 16 07.0	100.000	11.5	79.5	61.8	-2.4*
Johnson City			TN	194.4	BMLH19980904KD	82 20 21.0	457	1069	Radio License Holding Cbc,		
Protected by U/D ratio, see text and figures.											
271D	1563167	APP	DC	160.8	32.94	35 18 53.0	0.250	23.8	7.1	7.5	18.7
Hendersonville			NC	340.8	BNPFT20030317GUB	82 25 58.0		697	Western North Carolina Pub		
269D	1564121	APP	C	167.9	23.07	35 23 30.0	0.120	0.8	5.9	20.5	16.2
Hendersonville			NC	348.0	BNPFT20030317ADB	82 29 57.0		686	Bible Broadcasting Networ		
270C0	WBAV-FM	LIC	CY	108.8	122.68	35 13 57.0	100.000	103.3	70.9	18.0	50.2
Gastonia			NC	289.6	BLH19880129KD	81 16 35.0	301	552	Cbs Radio Stations Inc.		
269D	649200	APP	DC	167.5	27.43	35 21 13.0	0.010	0.0	0.9	25.6	26.5
Balfour			NC	347.5	BNPFT20030317EGC	82 29 12.0	178	865	Frank G. Mccoy		
268D	W268BS	CP	DC	142.4	46.02	35 16 00.0	0.010	0.2	9.0	44.3	35.8
Tryon			NC	322.5	BNPFT20130327AMD	82 14 34.0		994	Western North Carolina Pub		
271D	W271BS	CP	DC	169.6	74.48	34 56 05.0	0.032	29.7	8.9	42.9	58.8
Greenville			SC	349.7	BNPFT20130328AAR	82 24 16.0		579	Ted A Mccall		
269A	WGOG	CP	CX	209.5	93.72	34 51 33.0	6.000	2.9	30.5	89.1	60.1
Walhalla			SC	29.2	BPH20120718ABS	83 03 30.0	92	497	Appalachian Broadcasting C		
One Step Application											
272A	WECR-FM	LIC	ZCX	42.6	89.22	36 11 03.0	0.150	25.1	15.8	61.3	66.2
Beech Mountain			NC	223.0	BLH20080422AAO	81 52 48.0	597	1665	High Country Adventures, L		
274C3	WVEK-FM	LIC	C	358.3	103.42	36 31 36.0	1.750	2.6	38.5	96.5	64.8
Weber City			VA	178.3	BLH20080821ABX	82 35 13.0	376	835	Holston Valley Broadcastin		
274C3	AL5363	RSV-A	VA	358.3	103.42	36 31 36.0	25.000	3.3	31.9	95.8	66.0
Weber City			VA	178.3	RM11280	82 35 13.0	100	543			
271C0	WJMH	LIC	C	71.4	247.50	36 16 33.0	100.000	176.8	75.4	69.1	170.3
Reidsville			NC	252.9	BMLH20010731ACA	79 56 26.0	367	600	Entercom Greensboro Licens		

Terrain database is NED 03 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. Reference Zone= East Zone, Co to 3rd adj.
 All separation margins (if shown) include rounding
 Ant Column: (D= DA Standard, Z= DA 73.215, N= Not DA 73.215, _= Omni), Polarization (C,H,V,E), Beamtilt(Y,N,X)
 "*"affixed to 'IN' or 'OUT' values = site inside protected contour.

Table 2: Facilities Protected by U/D Method

Facility	WMYI Hendersonville, North Carolina	WQUT Johnson City, Tennessee
Relationship	273 C1, second adjacent	268 C, third adjacent
Distance (km)	50.99	77.18
Bearing (degrees)	185.7	14.3
ERP (kW, on azimuth)	44	100
HAAT (m, on azimuth)	283.2	395.8
Ratio	40	40
Signal Strength (dBu)	65.5	61.0
Translator Signal Strength	105.5	101.0
Translator distance (km)	.083	.140

Undesired to Desired Method

Protection to some facilities is provided through the use of Undesired to Desired Signal Strength Ratio (U/D) calculations. Table 2 lists the parameters studied. The proposed antenna is a Scala YA7-slant four level 0.69 wavelength spaced directional antenna. Figure 2 is a plot of the antenna vertical elevation pattern.

The WMYI field strength calculated at ground level at the proposed 1564408 site is 65.5 dBu, using the FM Curves calculator on the FCC web site. For the translator interference contour, free space calculations are used. The corresponding 105.5 dBu field strength distance is .083 kilometers in the horizontal plane. The proposed antenna location is 74 meters above ground, and 21 meters above the highest occupied floor in the building. As Figure 3 shows, the 105.5 dBu signal level will never reach ground, nor will it be present at any other location on the ground.

The WQUT field strength calculated at ground level at the proposed 1564408 site is 61.0 dBu, using the FM Curves calculator on the FCC web site. For the translator interference

contour, free space calculations are used. The corresponding 101.0 dBu field strength distance is .140 kilometers in the horizontal plane. The proposed antenna location is 74 meters above ground, and 21 meters above the highest occupied floor in the building. As Figure 3 shows, the 101.0 dBu signal level will never reach ground, nor will it be present at any other location on the ground.

For the 101.0 dBu contour, the minimum elevation is 3.6 meters above the occupied floor at 26 meters from the tower base, which is beyond the far edge of the building.

Figure 4 is a topographic map of the transmitter site, showing the generally flat nature of the terrain. Figure 5 is an aerial photograph of the site. The proposed site, known as the BB&T Building, is the tallest structure in Asheville. There is no population within the predicted interference area and therefore this facility is permitted under §74.1204(d).

The applicant recognizes that the U/D method is only a tool for predicting likely interference. Should any actual interference be experienced, the applicant will cooperate fully in correcting the interference. Corrective steps may require changes in the transmitting antenna or other steps which would require Commission authorization, may require that the translator cease operation except for brief equipment tests, or may require filtering at the receivers which report interference.

Source of Data

Transmitter location, effective radiated power, directional antenna pattern, and elevation data are extracted from the Commission's CDBS. All contours for existing and proposed facilities are calculated using height above average terrain calculated at one degree horizontal increments.

The contours were evaluated using terrain extracted from the V-Soft Communications NED 03 terrain database. The NED 03 database is derived from the USGS National Elevation Data 30 meter terrain database.

All population data is from 2010 U.S. Census PL data files. Population is counted by considering the location of the centroid of each census block. The data for each block is counted if it falls within the area being counted.

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1564408m
Proposed
Latitude: 35-35-42 N
Longitude: 082-33-09 W
ERP: 0.005 kW
Channel: 271 102.1 MHz
AMSL Height: 748.0 m
Elevation: 674.0 m
Horiz. Pattern: Directional

1564408.A
BNPFT20030317IDO
Latitude: 35-35-42 N
Longitude: 082-33-09 W
ERP: 0.015 kW
Channel: 271 102.1 MHz
AMSL Height: 748.0 m
Elevation: 674.0 m
Horiz. Pattern: Directional

649980.A
BNPFT20030317IDO
Latitude: 35-37-08 N
Longitude: 082-34-20 W
ERP: 0.027 kW
Channel: 271 102.1 MHz
AMSL Height: 683.0 m
Elevation: 640.0 m
Horiz. Pattern: Omni

WNCW
BLED19981104KA
Latitude: 35-44-06 N
Longitude: 082-17-11 W
ERP: 17.00 kW
Channel: 204 88.7 MHz
AMSL Height: 2022.0 m
Elevation: 1991.0 m
Horiz. Pattern: Directional

**1564408 Asheville, North Carolina
Tech Box and Proposed Contours
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Figure 1**

WNCW F(50-50) 75.00 dBu

Tech Box F(50-50) 60.00 dBu

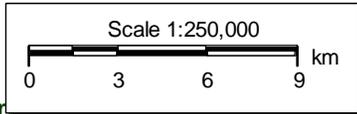
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649980.A
Asheville
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Proposed F(50-50) 60.00 dBu
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Swannanoa

Black M

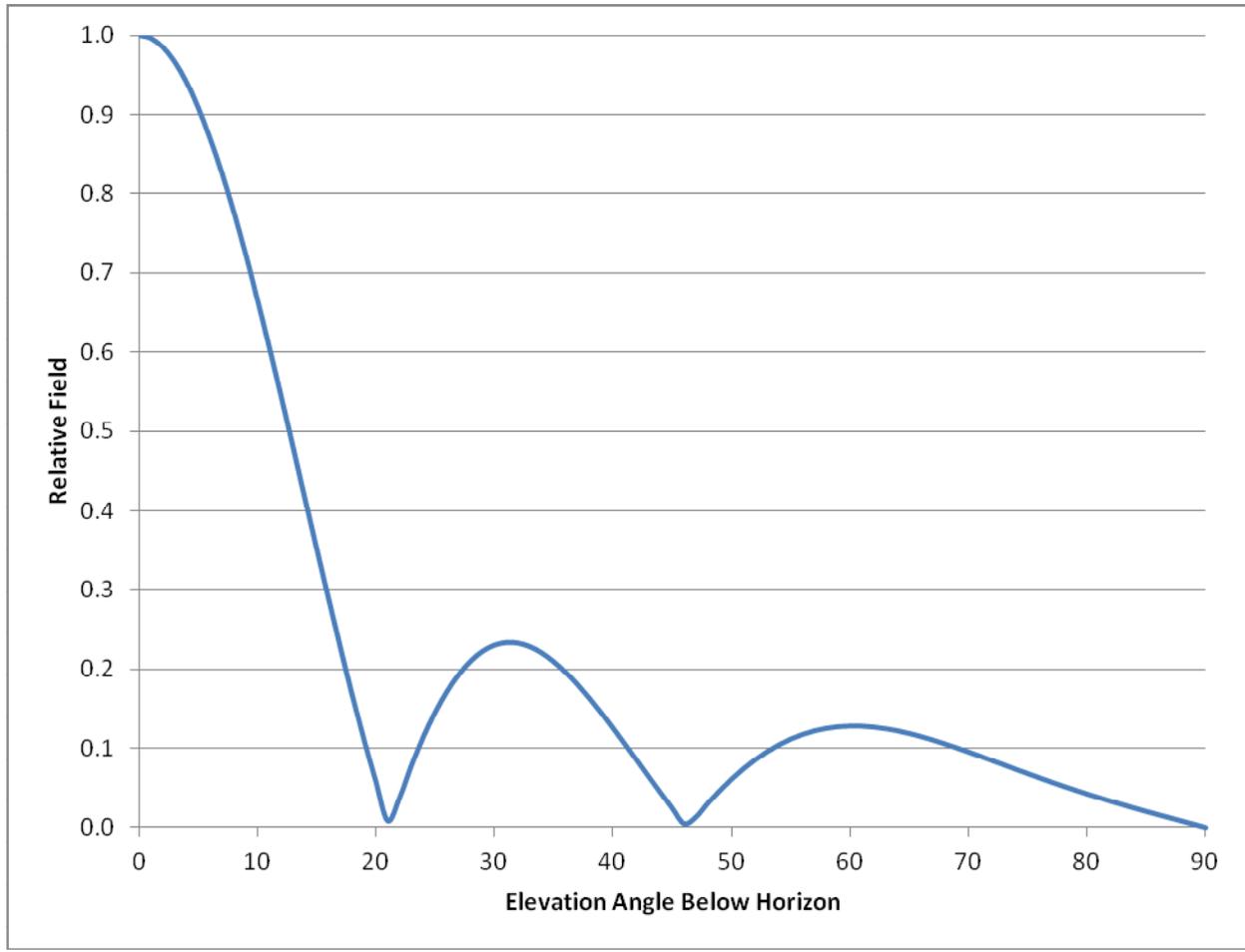
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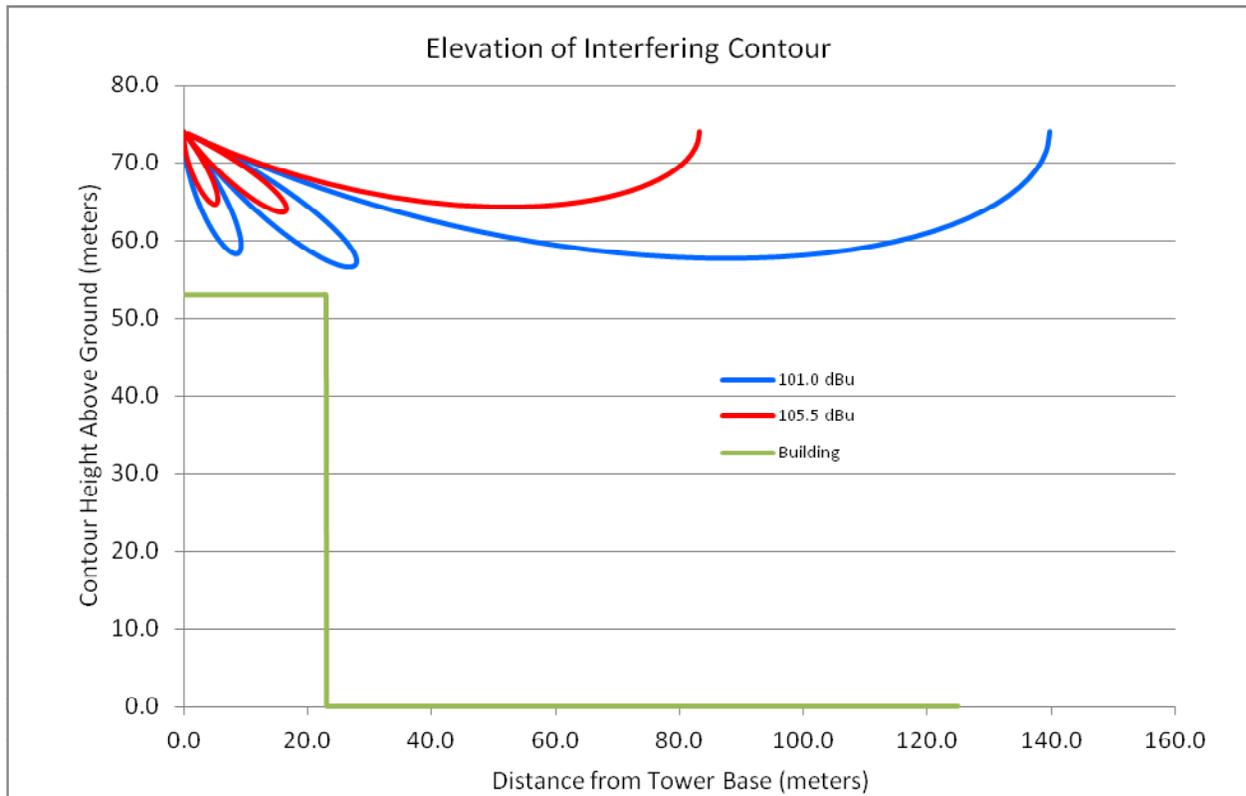
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Antenna Elevation Pattern



Interference Contour Elevation Plot



Free space propagation
Scala YA7-slant -4 .69 wavelength spacing
Center of Radiation 74 meters Above Ground Level
ERP 5 Watts

82°33'20"

82°33'15"

82°33'10"

82°33'05"

82°33'

35°35'50"

35°35'50"

35°35'45"

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35°35'40"

35°35'40"

35°35'35"

35°35'35"



82°33'15"

82°33'10"

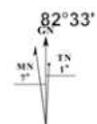
82°33'05"

82°33'

Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) Projection Zone 17
North American Datum of 1983

0 100 200 300 400 500 Feet

0 50 100 150 Meters



Magnetic declination of 7W at center of map
on March 17, 2011

Figure 5