



**Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

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401 E. City Avenue  
Suite 809  
Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004

**In re: K277AE, Seattle, WA**  
File Nos. BPFT-20170421AAM  
BLFT-20170818AAE  
Facility ID No. 18522

**Interference Complaint**

Dear Licensee:

This refers to the interference complaint filed by Everett-Snohomish Broadcasting (Everett) on June 19, 2017 (Complaint).<sup>1</sup> The Complaint alleges that K277AE is interfering with the reception of KMCQ, Oak Harbor, Washington.

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 74.1203, K277AE is required to eliminate any actual interference it causes. Therefore, it is necessary for K277AE to submit a detailed report on each complaint, including those complaints that were submitted prior to the modification of K277AE's facilities or complaints that might have been addressed in a previous proceeding. For each 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 K277AE 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)<sup>2</sup> states that an FM translator station will not be permitted to continue to operate if it causes any actual radio signal interference to the

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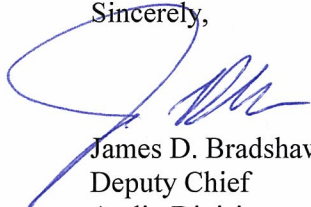
<sup>1</sup> Entercom License, LLC (Entercom) disputed the validity of the listener complaints because they were dated after Entercom had modified K277AE's facilities, in response to the interference complaints. *See* Opposition to Interference Complaint. However, Everett has maintained the interference continues and has submitted additional listener complaints. *See* Reply to Opposition to Informal Objection at Exhs. A-1, A-2, and A-3; *see also*, File No. BLFT-20170818AAE, Informal Objection at Exh. A.

<sup>2</sup> 47 CFR § 74.1203(a)(3).

direct reception by the public of the off-the-air signals of any authorized broadcast station.<sup>3</sup> 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)<sup>4</sup> 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.

Within thirty days of this letter, K277AE must take appropriate actions required by the provisions of 47 CFR § 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 K277AE an opportunity to respond. Failure to correct all complaints within this time may require K277AE to suspend operation pursuant to 47 CFR § 74.1203.

Sincerely,



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Media Bureau

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<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> 47 CFR § 74.1203(b).