

In re Application of: )  
Intelli, LLC ) File No. 0000161926  
For Renewal of License ) Facility ID No. 20355  
For Station KKOL(AM) )  
Seattle, WA )

To: Office of the Secretary  
Attn: Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau  
Date: August 22, 2022

We, David & Andrea (Ann) Knight, residing at 9790 NE Murden Cove Drive, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110 are continuing to experience BLANKETING INTERFERENCE from KKOL when broadcasting at 50kW. Please note our Petition to Deny Intelli LLC's license renewal application submitted on January 3, 2022 plus Supplements, Responses and Informal Objections.

This Response is to the letter written by the law firm Wiley Rein LLP to Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary of the FCC dated July 28, 2022. We were copied on the letter.

In the second paragraph to the Wiley Rein letter they commit Salem to "address issues they experience with *covered electronic equipment* (emphasis added) caused by blanketing interference from KKOL going forward." To our knowledge, the definition of *covered electronic equipment* hasn't been updated for over 30 years. Salem's commitment is hollow and meaningless.

We acknowledge that Salem has stepped up and tried to mitigate the BLANKETING INTERFERENCE experienced in devices beyond the FCC regulated devices, as they should. We live in a different world than a generation ago. We cannot rely on Salem's goodwill to mitigate interference in devices that aren't clearly defined as a condition of the Intelli license renewal or in updated FCC regulations.

The definition of *covered electronic devices* should include all types of computer equipment whether stand alone, e.g desktop and laptop computers, or imbedded within other equipment, e.g. cars and trucks, HVAC systems, ovens, cell phones. The definition should include all present and future equipment. These devices and equipment are essential to modern day life. In many cases, these items are much more important now than the covered devices. When the FCC last considered what devices should be protected, these items did not have the same importance as they have now. The FCC must recognize the importance of protecting devices that residents rely on for their daily existence and safety, as well as their ability to work from their homes.

We are certain that when KKOL broadcasts at 50kW it is causing BLANKETING INTERFERENCE. When the station was off the air or operating at lower power the devices functioned. We don't know at what broadcasting level, if any, the BLANKETING INTERFERENCE ceases to be an unsolvable and unmanageable problem in our community. We are reasonable people and willing to peacefully coexist with KKOL if that reduced broadcast level can be determined.

This month KKOL shorted out the battery charger for our electric hybrid car. It may have damaged the charging system in our car too. We have an appointment on August 25<sup>th</sup> with an Audi

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dealership service department to fix or replace the battery charger and run a diagnostic on our car's charging system to check for damage.

We shouldn't be forced by Salem/Inspiration/Intelli to bear this financial impact and associated disruption to our daily lives. This is just wrong. Since Intelli insists on blasting KKOL into our community with AM radio frequency at a level that causes massive disruption and damage, they need to be held financially accountable.

Our position over the past three years has been consistent. That is, KKOL broadcasting at 50kW is problematic and shouldn't be allowed because it causes devastating BLANKETING INTERFERENCE. Please never forget that our community was here first. They forced their way into our community without required permits or advising the community of their intentions (see early record with the City of Bainbridge Island).

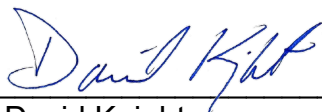
If the BLANKETING INTERFERENCE problem can be resolved by reducing the broadcast level, we support that as a compromise. There are two other AM stations broadcasting from the same towers as KKOL. We don't have the technical expertise to evaluate whether having three stations broadcasting simultaneously with KKOL at a lower level will create the same BLANKETING INTERFERENCE problem. The problem is not just in our home. There are many neighbors complaining about the interference and some of them have filed comments in this proceeding. As recently as today, another neighbor contacted us about interference problems they are experiencing.

Rather than an outright rejection of the KKOL license, a compromise could be to reduce the broadcast level to 20kW for an extended period to evaluate the BLANKETING INTERFERENCE. KLFE-AM 1590 is broadcasting from the same towers at 20kW daytime. Our community has lived with this broadcasting level for years by installing blocking filters on various devices in our homes. The other two stations preceded the development of much of our residential community.

If the KKOL license is renewed at any broadcasting level, and the license is assigned to Salem Media/Inspiration Media, Salem should be technically and financially liable for the resolution of BLANKETING INTERFERENCE for the entire term of the license. Their financial responsibility shouldn't end after one year.

**We request the FCC deny Intelli's renewal application unless the renewal is at 20kW or less. At any broadcast level the conditions described above should apply.**

Thank you.



David Knight



Ann Knight

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, David Knight, hereby certify that a copy of the Knight Response to the Wiley Rein letter dated July 28, 2022 was sent via email on August 22, 2022 and first class mail, postage prepaid on August 22, 2022 to the following:

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