



**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
ENFORCEMENT BUREAU
NORTHEAST REGION**

Detroit Office
24897 Hathaway Street
Farmington Hills, MI 48335-1552

June 14, 2012

Maple View Farms LLC
Castalia, Ohio

Attn: Keith Edwards

NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION

Case Number: EB-FIELDNER-12-00002297
Document Number: W201232360002

The Detroit Office received information that a private land mobile station allegedly was operating on frequency 464.6 MHz and was causing interference to a private land mobile station licensed to operate in Tiffin, Ohio. On March 28, 2012, and May 15, 2012, an agent from this office confirmed that the source of the interference to frequency 464.6 MHz was emanating from radio transmitting equipment located at Maple View Farms, 7008 Maple Avenue, Castalia, Ohio. The Commission's records show that no license was issued to Maple View Farms for operation on 464.6 MHz.¹

Radio stations must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 301. You are hereby warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws cited above and could subject the operator to severe penalties, including, but not limited to, substantial monetary fines, *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment. (*see* 47 U.S.C. §§ 401, 501, 503 and 510).

UNLICENSED OPERATION OF THIS RADIO STATION MUST BE DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY.

You have ten (10) days from the date of this notice to respond with any evidence that you have authority to operate granted by the FCC. Your response should be sent to the address in the letterhead and reference the listed case and document number. Under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5

¹ The agent received information that the equipment operated by Maple View Farms is owned by Galloway & Sons LLC (Galloway). The Commission's records show that Galloway is authorized to operate countywide in Erie County, Ohio, on 464.6 MHz under call sign WQLS706. We note, however, that even if Galloway were operating the equipment at Maple View Farms, such operation would be unauthorized because the license specifically states that operation is restricted to south of Line A and/or west of Line C. Maple View Farms and all of Erie County, Ohio are north of Line A and transmissions are not authorized.

U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), we are informing you that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that you disclose in your reply.

You may contact this office if you have any questions.

James A. Bridgewater
District Director
Detroit Office

Attachments:

Excerpts from the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended
Enforcement Bureau, "Inspection Fact Sheet", March 2005

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