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**NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION**

Case Number: EB-FIELDNER-12-00004181  
Document Number: W201232320006

The Chicago Office received information that an unlicensed broadcast radio station on 88.1 MHz was allegedly operating in Madison, Wisconsin. On September 11, 2012, an agent from this office confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals on the frequency of 88.1 MHz were emanating from the property at 5402 Marsha Drive, Madison, Wisconsin. The Commission's records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station on 88.1 MHz at this location in Madison, Wisconsin.

Radio stations must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 301. The only exception to this licensing requirement is for certain transmitters using or operating at a power level or mode of operation that complies with the standards established in Part 15 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 15.1 *et seq.* The field strength of the signal on frequency 88.1 MHz was measured at 193,444 microvolts per meter ( $\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$ ) at 3 meters, which exceeded the maximum permitted level of 250  $\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$  at 3 meters for non-licensed devices. Thus, this station is operating in violation of 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 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.

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Attachments:

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