

CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

October 22, 2012

Mr. Myron D. Rummel
President & CEO
Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative
P.O. Box 236
147 Dinkel Ave.
Mt. Crawford, VA 22841-0236

Re: EB-12-GB-0077
Warning Notice

Dear Mr. Rummel:

On March 19, 2012, the Federal Communications Commission notified Shenandoah Valley Electric Cooperative (SVEC) that it has received complaints from (name withheld) that equipment operated by your utility might be causing harmful radio interference to his amateur radio equipment. The contact information for (name withheld) is:

(Name withheld)
(Address withheld)
(Address withheld)
Tel: (Number withheld)

The March 19 2012 letter advised SVEC that the interference, if unresolved, could be a violation of Commission rules. For this reason, we encouraged SVEC to voluntarily resolve the matter without Commission intervention. The letter specifically stated, however, that if it became necessary for the Commission to facilitate a resolution, the Commission might investigate possible rule violations and address appropriate remedies, including monetary forfeitures.¹ SVEC did not respond in writing to the March 19, 2012 letter. Likewise, (name withheld) has not reported that there has been any reduction in the radio frequency interference.

In order to avoid enforcement action on this matter, you have thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of this warning to respond to this office at the following address: 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325. The response must contain a statement of the specific action(s)

¹ Fines normally range from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

taken to identify and eliminate the source(s) of (name withheld) radio interference. Your response must also include a carbon copy to (name withheld) so that he can confirm any statement that you make regarding resolution of the interference.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at 717-338-2577.

Sincerely,

Laura L. Smith, Esq.
Special Counsel
Enforcement Bureau

cc: Columbia Field Office
South Central Regional Director