

**CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

March 14, 2011

Mr. Timothy Carman  
(Address withheld)  
(Address withheld)

**Re: WARNING FOR UNLICENSED RADIO OPERATION  
EB-11-GB-0019**

Dear Mr. Carman:

It has come to the attention of the Federal Communications Commission that at multiple times in the last several months, members of your family have made radio transmissions in the amateur bands, for which a license is required. In particular, it has been reported that your wife, Tammy Carman, has been heard repeatedly using your station while you are out working on your farm. Commission records indicate that you are the only member of the Carman family listed at the address above who has an amateur license.

Operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid FCC authorization is a violation of Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,<sup>1</sup> and may subject the responsible parties to substantial monetary forfeitures,<sup>2</sup> *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment.<sup>3</sup> Because unlicensed operation creates a danger of interference to important radio communications services and may subject the operator to severe penalties, this warning emphasizes the importance of complying strictly with these legal requirements.

**ANY UNAUTHORIZED OPERATION OF THIS RADIO STATION MUST  
CEASE IMMEDIATELY.**

You have ten (10) days from the date of receipt of this warning to respond to this office. The response must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to come into compliance with the Commission's rules. **You are directed to support your response with a signed and dated affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information submitted in your response.** Your

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 301.

<sup>2</sup> Fines normally range from \$7,500 to \$10,000.

<sup>3</sup> See §§ 401, 501, 503, 510.

response should be sent to: 1270 Fairfield Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325 and reference the listed case number.

In an inquiry of this type we are required to notify you that under the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3), the Commission's staff will use all relevant information before it, including information you disclose in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is warranted in this matter.

You may contact me at 717-338-2577 should you wish to discuss this matter.

Sincerely,

Laura L. Smith  
Special Counsel  
Enforcement Bureau

Cc: Detroit Field Office  
Northeast Regional Director