



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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520 NE Colbern Road, Second Floor
Lee's Summit, MO 64086-4711

September 11, 2001

The Praise Network
Attention: Mr. Herbert P. Roszhart
P.O. Box 8
Aurora, NE 68818

Dear Mr. Roszhart,

This is in reference to your reply, dated September 7, 2001, concerning our Notice of Violation, dated August 24, 2001.

Based on the information provided in your response, the corrective steps taken are sufficient and this case is being closed.

However, the inspection record will be maintained in our station files and may be used in the future, should you have repeated violations at KPRD-FM or any other broadcast stations that are owned by The Praise Network.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen Raines".

Karen Raines
Agent

September 7, 2001

Karen L. Raines
Federal Communications Commission
Enforcement Bureau
520 NE Colbern Road 2nd Floor
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Response to File No.: EB-01-KC-1064

Dear Ms. Raines:

This is a response to the notice of violation dated August 24, 2001, and the appropriate actions taken to assure the violations do not reoccur.

On September 5, 2001, I made a personal visit to KPRD-FM, Hays, Kansas, and met with the Station Manager, Mr. David Breeden; the Office Manager, Jacqueline Simon; and the Contract Engineer, Lloyd Mintzmyer, to discuss the violations and corrections needed.

Here is a response to each of the violations:

A. 47 C.F.R. §11.35(a)

I was told there had been some problems with the EAS receiver and the recording tape. Those problems have now been corrected. The staff was instructed to weekly review logs and to make sure tests are properly received. A new log is being created to document the receiving and sending of tests.

B. 47 C.F.R. §11.61(a)

The office manager normally schedules the sending of EAS tests and did not know why they had not been sent. To assure that this does not happen again, the Chief Operator has been instructed to check at the end of each week verifying that a proper EAS test has been sent. This will be documented in the newly created EAS log.

C. 47 C.F.R. §73.3527(e)(4)

The most recent copy of the Ownership Report had previously been sent to the station with instructions that it be placed in the Public File; why it was not there is not clear. I provided another copy at the time of my personal visit on September 5th, and placed it in the File. A copy is enclosed for your review.

D. 47 C.F.R. §73.1840(a)

While I was at the station, the logs for 1997-1999 were found upside down in a box next to the box where logs prior to that were stored. The staff was instructed to maintain a more readily accessible file for at least two years of logs and to instruct all station employees as to where past logs are stored.

E. 47 C.F.R. §73.1350(b)(2)

The operator on duty at the time of violation was new and had not been properly trained as to the power parameters and how to turn off the transmitter. There are instructions right next to the telephone with the proper dial-up code to be able to turn the transmitter on/off. Mr. Breeden stated that rarely do they have to turn the transmitter off and therefore had forgotten the dial-up code for power shut-down. When the transmitter goes off unexpectedly, the operator has been instructed to call the Contract Engineer.

The procedure for monitoring power and other parameters are established through the Gentner Remote Control System. Particularly for the power parameters, should the power exceed 105%, the Gentner unit at the transmitter site makes an alert call to the studio telephone number and the board operator is to take the appropriate action to either reduce power or shut the transmitter down. The capability to raise or lower power is also available at the studio by dialing a specific code as per instructions by the telephone in the control room.

During times when the studio is unattended, such as overnight, the remote has the capability of calling up to five phone numbers if the previous number does not answer. In the case when the phone is not answered at the studio, the next call goes to Mr. Breeden's home; if his home phone does not answer it goes to a cell phone he carries at all times. If that does not answer, the call goes to various other staff members. In the event Mr. Breeden is away on vacation or not available, the cell phone is given to another staff member who is responsible to lower power if necessary.

F. 47 C.F.R. §73.1350(c)(2)

In our meeting of September 5th, I asked Mr. Mintzmyer, the Contract Engineer, about the schedule of calibrations for the monitoring equipment. He replied that this is done at least once or twice a month--usually twice a month. The calibrations are made through a telephone at the transmitter site and are documented on the transmitter log at the transmitter site.

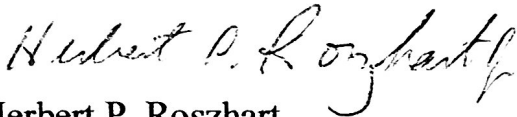
H. 47 C.F.R. §73.1870(c)(3)

I have instructed the Chief Operator to be more thorough in the weekly review of the station logs and specifically check to make sure required EAS tests are logged. He is to make a notation on the log if there are missing tests and to record the reason why.

I trust the appropriate action taken will prevent these violations from occurring again. The staff has assured me they will be more diligent in following F.C.C. Rules and Regulations.

I regret these violations were found and will hold periodic staff meetings to review F.C.C. Rules and Regulations and to make sure the Public File is kept current.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Herbert P. Roszhart".

Herbert P. Roszhart
President

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