On Wednesday, December 8th, 2004, Donald Roberson and another representative from the FCC Field Office in Tampa, FL., stopped by WAYT to inquire about a letter the FCC received from a Mr. Lee Corbin of Monticello FL.

Mr. Corbin was receiving interference on Channel 6 from WAYT and had written the FCC about the problem. The following letter to Mr. Roberson is in response to his visit.

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Dear Mr. Roberson,

Thank you for your visit on Wednesday, December 8th, 2004. It was a pleasure to meet you.

As per your request, I am providing further information concerning complaints about interference caused by the transmission of 88.1 WAYT-FM/Thomasville, Georgia with the audio portion of WCTV Channel 6 Television in Tallahassee, Florida.

As I mentioned in our meeting, WAYT began receiving complaints from WCTV viewers attempting to receive the WCTV signal via antenna, shortly after signing on the air in late June of 2004. WAYT-FM provided commercial grade filters to area cable and satellite head-ends prior to signing on, so those viewers were not affected. Due to the large number of complaints WAYT was only able to service a small portion of the viewers, until more filters were received in August.

To date, WAYT has received a total of 525 complaints of which 335 (64%) have been resolved. As I mentioned last week, WAYT has resolved, at its expense, many complaints from individuals using VCR's, signal boosters, splitters and other components, despite the fact that these components disqualify them from meeting the requirements detailed in 47 CFR 73.525, which addresses the issue of interference from noncommercial educational stations operating on Channels 201 through 220.

Many of the remaining, unresolved complaints are situations requiring either a visit by a WAYT engineer or a follow-up visit. In some cases we simply have not yet been able to contact or make arrangements to install a filter.

As far as the specific letter of complaint to the FCC from Mr. Lee Corbin of Monticello, FL, I was able to discover the following: Mr. Corbin first contacted WAYT in July. Following the delivery of filters in August, his name was given to an electronics company in Perry, FL, contracted to install filters by WAYT. Mr. Corbin signed a release form on August 10th, 2004 stating that a filter had been installed and the interference had been eliminated.

In October, Mr. Corbin called WAYT and informed us that he was still experiencing interference. I talked to him myself and I told him that we would send an engineer to his home to correct the problem. I then contacted our engineer and added Mr. Corbin's name to a list of people needing a visit by WAYT's engineer. As of the time of your visit to WAYT our engineer had not yet made it to Mr. Corbin's home. Following our conversation, I contacted our engineer and asked him to follow up on Mr. Corbin immediately. Our engineer was able to contact Mr. Corbin that day and visited his home later that afternoon. Following a second visit the next day, December 9th, we were able to greatly reduce the interference although not eliminate it entirely. Because Mr. Corbin lives within a few miles of both broadcast towers, his situation seems to be a bit more difficult than most. We believe we can resolve it with a more targeted filter, which has been ordered. Mr. Corbin is satisfied with the progress made so far and we should resolve the situation completely within the next couple of weeks.

WAYT continues to vigorously work to resolve all the complaints received. We are cooperating with WCTV to ensure that all cases are handled to their satisfaction and I'm confident that most, if not all, complaints will be resolved by the first quarter of 2005.

Again, I enjoyed meeting you. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sineerely,

Steve Young

Station Manager 88.1 WAY-FM