

Dear FCC,

In a small community situated in "tornado alley", our radio station is of vital importance to us. It is our primary means of information during severe weather situations as well as our resource for all local news as it happens.

Over the years, severe weather has occurred during their non-broadcast hours and that has made getting information challenging. Once, during a power outage that was not weather related, the car radio was the only access to information available as to what was happening... fortunately, the incident occurred before the station had to sign off.

It would be of great benefit to allow WLDS 1180 AM to have more flexibility in broadcasting longer at a lower wattage.

It would also be of great benefit to our community for its sister station, WEAI, to not be over-broadcast on the same call number (107.1 FM) by a new station in a nearby city, whose signal reaches into our listening area to obscure this long-time source of news, information, and community information.

Thank you,

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