

**BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20554**

In the Matter of)
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Advanced Television Systems)
and Their Impact upon the)
Existing Television Broadcast) MB Docket No. 87-268
Service)
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To: The Commission)

COMMENTS

Red River Broadcast Co., LLC, the licensee of KJRR-TV, Jamestown, North Dakota, and permittee of KJRR-DT, Jamestown, North Dakota, Facility ID No. 55364 (“KJRR”), hereby submits these comments through counsel in response to the Commission’s *Seventh Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (“*Further Notice*”) in this proceeding.¹ In the *Further Notice*, the Commission proposed a new digital television Table of Allotments (“DTV Table”) which provides each eligible broadcast television station with a channel allotment for DTV operations after the February 17, 2009 transition.

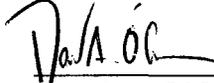
KJRR respectfully requests that the Commission change the DTV Table to reflect the data described in the attached Engineering Statement prepared by Ryan Felmlee of Cohen Dippell & Everist, P.C. Incorporating the proposed changes into the DTV Table will serve the

¹ *Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact Upon the Existing Television Broadcast Services*, Seventh Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 87-268, FCC 06-150, 21 FCC Rcd 12100 (rel. Oct. 20, 2006) (“*Further Notice*”). On January 9, 2007, the Commission extended the comment deadline to January 25, 2007. See *Order Granting Extension of Time for Filing Comments and Reply Comments*, MB Docket No. 87-268, DA 07-38 (MB rel. Jan. 9, 2007). Therefore, these comments are timely filed.

public interest by ensuring that the DTV Table is as technically accurate as possible and maximizes service to viewers.

Respectfully submitted,

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ENGINEERING STATEMENT
ON BEHALF OF
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LICENSEE OF
KJRR-DT, JAMESTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA
DTV CH. 7 17.3 KW DA ERP 107 METERS HAAT
IN RESPONSE TO
SEVENTH FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING
MB DOCKET NO. 87-268
JANUARY 2007

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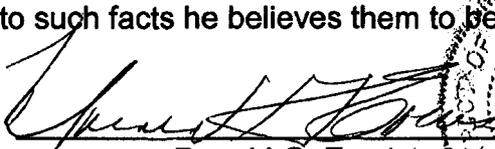
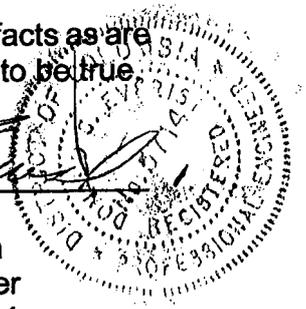
Donald G. Everist, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that:

He is a graduate electrical engineer, a Registered Professional Engineer in the District of Columbia, and is President, Secretary and Treasurer of Cohen, Dippell and Everist, P.C., Consulting Engineers, Radio - Television, with offices at 1300 L Street, N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20005;

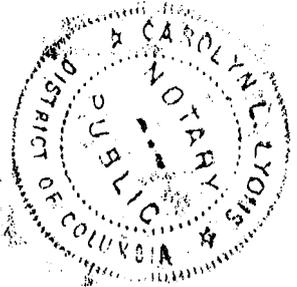
That his qualifications are a matter of record in the Federal Communications Commission;

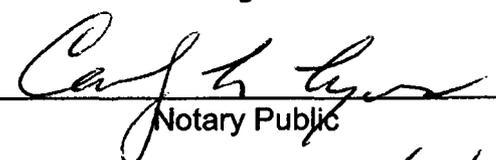
That the attached engineering report was prepared by him or under his supervision and direction and

That the facts stated herein are true of his own knowledge, except such facts as are stated to be on information and belief, and as to such facts he believes them to be true


Donald G. Everist
District of Columbia
Professional Engineer
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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of January, 2007.




Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 2/28/2008

COHEN, DIPPELL AND EVERIST, P. C.

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Ryan Felmlee, being duly sworn upon his oath, deposes and states that:

He is a graduate electrical engineer of the Pennsylvania State University, has successfully completed the Engineer-In-Training examination ("EIT") in the State of Virginia, and is a staff engineer of Cohen, Dippell and Everist, P.C., Consulting Engineers, Radio - Television, with offices at 1300 L Street, N.W., Suite 1100, Washington, D.C. 20005;

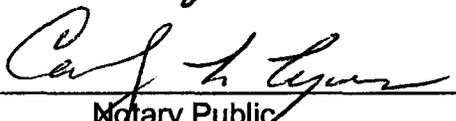
That the attached engineering report was prepared by him or under his supervision and direction and

That the facts stated herein are true of his own knowledge, except such facts as are stated to be on information and belief, and as to such facts he believes them to be true.



Ryan Felmlee
District of Columbia

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of January, 2007.



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This engineering statement has been prepared on behalf of Red River Broadcasting Co., LLC, licensee of KJRR(TV), Jamestown, North Dakota. The purpose of this engineering statement is to accompany a filing in response to the Seventh Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. 87-268 ("SFNPRM")¹ Appendix B of the SFNPRM the FCC's proposed table of allotments for DTV post-transition operation.

On FCC Form 381, KJRR elected to operate its post-transition DTV station at maximized facilities as authorized by construction permit (FCC File No. BMPCDT-20041101AGW). KJRR will be operating its post-transition DTV facilities on channel 7, as opposed to the currently authorized DTV channel 18 directional operation. However, the azimuth pattern (see Figure 1) as assigned to the KJRR-DT post-transition operation is irregular and not realistic to create for a VHF frequency. Therefore, KJRR hereby requests that the azimuth pattern as assigned in the SFNPRM be modified to a realistic directional pattern, such as the attached cardioid.

The KJRR (Facility ID No. 55364) post transition parameters as designated in the proposed DTV Table of Allotments are as follows:

Proposed DTV Table of Allotment Data

<u>DTV CH.</u>	<u>ERP kW</u>	<u>HAAT meters</u>	<u>Antenna ID</u>	<u>Coordinates NAD 27</u>	<u>Area Sq. km</u>	<u>Population Thousand</u>	<u>Percent Interference Received</u>
7	17.3	107	74420	46°55'27"N 98°46'19"W	15,835	39	2.2

The requested post-transition DTV parameters as requested in this statement are based on parameters in the proposed DTV Table of Allotments, with the exception of the proposed directional antenna pattern which has been created within this limited time constraint and which KJRR believes can be achieved for post-transition operation. The requested DTV parameters and associated data for post-transition based on the directional KJRR-DT maximized facilities are as follows:

¹"In the Matter of Advanced Television Systems and Their Impact Upon the Existing Television Broadcast Service," pertaining to MB Docket No. 87-268, released October 20, 2006.

Requested Data Corrections

<u>DTV CH.</u>	<u>ERP kW</u>	<u>HAAT meters</u>	<u>Antenna ID</u>	<u>Coordinates NAD 27</u>	<u>Area Sq. km</u>	<u>Population Thousand</u>	<u>Percent Interference Received</u>
7	17.3	107	Proposed	46°55' 27"N 98°46'19"W	16,480	40	0.4

To further support that the requested KJRR-DT post-transition facilities will have no impact, an interference study (see Table I) has been performed which takes into consideration and includes the proposed KJRR-DT directional facilities and all station certifications as designated in the SFNPR. Based on this Longley-Rice study, the KJRR-DT directional post-transition operation does not receive and causes no unacceptable new interference beyond that currently received and caused by the certified KJRR-DT facilities.

The Longley-Rice study of predicted interference caused by the proposed directional KJRR-DT post-transition facilities requested herein has been performed using a version of the Longley-Rice program as described in OET Bulletin No. 69 (February 6, 2004) and the Public Notice, "Additional Application Processing Guidelines for Digital Television (DTV)" (August 1998). The FCC's FORTRAN-77 code was modified only to the extent necessary (primarily input/output handling) for the program to run on a Windows98/Intel platform. Comparison of service/interference areas and populations indicates that this model closely matches the FCC's evaluation program. Best efforts have been made to use data and calculations identical to the FCC's program. Any slight differences are attributable to compiler, operating system and/or processor

characteristics. The effect of any variance in calculated population values versus the FCC's program is minimized when differencing a given model's results, such as calculating new interference as total interference less baseline interference. Any variance effect is further reduced when using ratios of calculated population values such as measuring the incremental population affected as a percent of the total population served. The model employs the Longley-Rice propagation methodology and evaluates in grid cells of approximately 4 km² terrain data sampled approximately every 1.0 km at one degree azimuth intervals with 2000 census centroids based on the information contained in the FCC engineering database released January 23, 2007 representing all post-transition DTV operations in Appendix B of the SFNPRM.

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TABLE I
LONGLEY-RICE ANALYSIS
FOR THE POST-TRANSITION OPERATION OF
KJRR-DT, JAMESTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA
CH 7 17.3 KW DA ERP 107 METERS HAAT
JANUARY 2007

<u>Station</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Channel</u>	<u>Distance</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>FCC File No.</u>	<u>Interference</u>
				km			
KCCO	Alexandria	MN	7	311.2	CP	BDTV-9632BDTV	No New Interference
KQCD	Dickinson	ND	7	320	CP	BDTV-41430BDTV	No New Interference
KTTW	Sioux Falls	SD	7	413	CP	BPCDT-19991029ACY	No New Interference
WDAZ	Devils Lake	ND	8	147.2	CP	BDTV-22124BDTV	No New Interference

Figure 1
KJRR Azimuth Patterns

