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In re: Minnesota Public Radio
New NCE FM, Blue Earth, MN
Facility ID No. 172494
File No. BNPED-20071016AHH

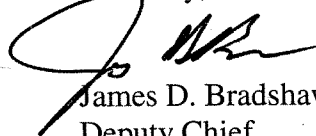
Dear Applicant:

This letter refers to the captioned application for a new non-commercial educational (NCE) FM station on Channel 206C3, located at Blue Earth, MN.

Our study reveals that the application violates Section 73.509 of the Commission's Rules¹ with respect to the authorized co-channel facilities of Station KAUR, Sioux Falls, SD, (BLED-19870129KB). Section 73.509 states that an application for a new FM station will not be accepted if the proposed operation would involve prohibited overlap of signal strength contours with any other licensed station operating in the reserved band. KAUR's 40 dBu interference contour overlaps the proposed station's 60 dBu protected contour, and the proposed station's 40 dBu interference contour overlaps KAUR's 60 dBu protected contour. Accordingly, the application will be dismissed.

In light of the above violation, Application BPFT-20071016AHH is unacceptable for filing pursuant to Section 73.3566 of the Commission's Rules² and IS HEREBY DISMISSED. This action is taken pursuant to Section 0.283 of the Commission's Rules.³

Sincerely,



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¹ 47 C.F.R. § 73.509.

² 47 C.F.R. § 73.3566.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 0.283.