

Gramling, Mitzi

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Sent: Wednesday, October 10, 2001 8:20 AM
To: Peter Doyle; MGramling@mpr.org
Cc: Barbara Kreisman; Susan Eid; INTERNET:rbodoff@wrf.com
Subject: Re: WNYC fundraiser

Dear Ms. Gramling:

On behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), licensee of 34 noncommercial educational radio stations, you seek waiver of Section 73.503(d) of the Commission's rules to permit on-air fundraising to help rebuild the transmission facilities of Station WNYC(FM), New York, New York, which were destroyed in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack on the World Trade Center. Specifically, MPR proposes to ask listeners for an additional contribution -- strictly designated for WNYC(FM) --during its fall on-air pledge drive from October 18, 2001 through October 30, 2001.

Due to the catastrophic nature of this horrific incident, the limited duration of the proposed fundraising effort, and the fact that it will be incorporated into the scheduled pledge drive permissibly aired on MPR's stations by simply adding disaster relief as another recipient for funds, the Commission concludes that the public interest would be served by grant of the requested waiver for each of the following MPR stations:

Primary Stations (Call Sign, Frequency, Facility ID No., Community of License)

KRSU	91.3 FM	42967	Appleton, MN
KCRB	88.5 FM	42970	Bemidji, MN
KBPR	90.7 FM	42912	Brainerd, MN
KSJR	90.1 FM	42955	Collegeville, MN
KLCD	89.5 FM	42943	Decorah, IA
WSCD	92.9 FM	42940	Duluth/Superior, MN
KCMF	89.7 FM	92307	Fergus Falls, MN
WMLS	88.7 FM	92306	Grand Marais, MN
WGGL	91.1 FM	42913	Houghton, MI
KSJN	99.5 FM	42911	Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN
KCCM	91.1 FM	42926	Moorhead, MN/Fargo, ND
KLSE	91.7 FM	42965	Rochester, MN
KRSD	88.1 FM	42909	Sioux Falls, SD
KGAC	90.5 FM	42910	St. Peter/Mankato, MN
KWRV	91.9 FM	42917	Sun Valley, ID
KQMN	91.5 FM	42974	Thief River Falls, MN
WIRR	90.9 FM	42957	Virginia/Hibbing, MN
KRSW	89.3 FM	42958	Worthington/Marshall, MN
KNCM	88.5 FM	42981	Appleton, MN
KNBJ	91.3 FM	42966	Bemidji, MN
KNSR	88.9 FM	42938	Collegeville, MN
KLNI	88.7 FM	42932	Decorah, IA
WSCN	100.5 FM	42975	Duluth/Superior, MN
KNWF	91.5 FM	92141	Fergus Falls, MN
WLSN	89.7 FM	92302	Grand Marais, MN
WGGL	91.1 FM	42913	Houghton, MI
KXLC	91.1 FM	42918	La Crescent, MN/La Crosse, WI
KNOW	91.1 FM	42949	Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN
KCCD	90.3 FM	42951	Moorhead, MN/Fargo, ND
KZSE	90.7 FM	42929	Rochester, MN
KNGA	91.5 FM	42944	St. Peter/Mankato, MN
KNTN	102.7 FM	42922	Thief River Falls, MN
WIRN	92.5 FM	78080	Virginia/Hibbing, MN

Translator Stations (Call Sign, Primary Station Rebroadcast, Frequency, Facility ID No., Community of License)

K280EB	KZSE	103.9 FM	42950	Albert Lea, MN
K215BL	KSJR	90.9 FM	42971	Alexandria, MN
K280EF	KLSE	103.9 FM	42931	Austin, MN
K277AD	KZSE	103.3 FM	42979	Austin, MN
W269AC	WIRN	101.7 FM	86095	Ely, MN
K208CR	WIRR	89.5 FM	42968	Ely, MN
K209BA	KCCM	89.7 FM	42935	Fergus Falls, MN
K281AB	KCRB	104.1 FM	42969	Grand Rapids, MN
K297AD	WSCN	107.3 FM	42964	Grand Rapids, MN
W224AO	WGGL	92.7 FM	42928	Houghton, MI
K249BK	KCRB	97.7 FM	42973	International Falls, MN
K201CN	KNBJ	88.1 FM	42936	International Falls, MN
K201BW	KLSE	88.1 FM	42952	La Crescent, MN
K289AE	KGAC	105.7 FM	42948	Owatonna, MN
K280EC	KNGA	103.9 FM	42961	Owatonna, MN
W215AI	KQMN	90.9 FM	42942	Roseau, MN
K270AB	KLSE	101.9 FM	42978	Winona, MN
K297AH	KZSE	107.3 FM	42907	Winona, MN
K205DJ	KRSW	88.9 FM	92054	Worthington, MN

Any other stations or entities interested in similar activities should be informed that they must secure Commission approval for each station prior to undertaking any solicitation on behalf of WNYC(FM) or any other September 11 relief effort. To facilitate action on the waiver requests, these stations/owners should submit their requests electronically to Peter Doyle (pdoyle@fcc.gov) and myself (mwagner@fcc.gov), and they should identify: (1) the stations (including Facility ID Number) for which waiver is sought; (2) the nature and duration of the fundraising effort; and (3) the specific recipient of any funds raised.

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>>> "Gramling, Mitzi" <MGramling@mpr.org> 10/04/01 03:22PM >>>
Dear Mr Doyle:

Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR") is the licensee of 31 radio stations, primarily in Minnesota, that are all operated on a non-commercial basis. Sixteen of the stations are classical music stations, fourteen are news & information stations, and one is a combination of news and music. MPR's upcoming fall on-air fundraiser/pledge drive will be a total of 13 days long - with 10 days of on-air fundraising on our news stations and 8 days of fundraising on the music stations. The drive will begin on October 18, 2001 and end on October 30, 2001.

WNYC, a public radio station in New York City, lost its FM transmitter atop the World Trade Center's North Tower. Details about how the terrorist attack left them without office and transmitting facilities are detailed on their website at www.wnyc.org. They continue to operate at reduced power from offices where ever they can find space, and have started a \$4 million emergency fund to replace this antenna and some of their lost revenue.

During our fall pledge drive, MPR would like to ask our listeners for an additional contribution, one that will go directly to WNYC.

We have been in contact with other public radio stations around the country, who are also interested in asking their listeners to help WNYC. We anticipate all stations will do this fundraising during the course of their own on-air fall pledge drives. Most if not all of these stations will be doing their fall pledges drives during October and/or November, 2001.

We therefore respectfully request a waiver from October 18 through October 30, 2001 for MPR to conduct fundraising activities for WNYC. We also request your assistance in arranging an easy process for other public radio stations to obtain similar waivers.

Thank you.

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