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Re:

Minnesota Public Radio

WMNN(AM), Minneapolis, MN (Facility ID #42963) KSJN(FM), Minneapolis, MN (Facility ID #42911)

KNTN(FM), Thief River Falls, MN (Facility ID #42922)

WIRN(FM), Buhl, MN (Facility ID #78080) 2000 Annual Regulatory Fee Exemption

Dear Ms. Salas:

Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), the licensee of the stations referenced above (the "Stations"), by its attorneys, hereby confirms that it is a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, MPR is not subject to the payment of FCC regulatory fees with respect to the Stations. 47 U.S.C. § 159(h)(1). MPR has previously submitted evidence (copies attached) of its tax-exempt status to the Commission, but is filing this additional letter out of an abundance of caution.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Ms. Salas:

Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), the licensee of the stations referenced above (the "Stations"), by its attorneys, hereby affirms that it is a tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Accordingly, MPR is not subject to the payment of FCC regulatory fees with respect to the Stations. 47 U.S.C. § 159(h)(1).

On August 2, 1999, the Commission released a <u>Public Notice</u> to provide information concerning the payment of regulatory fees in fiscal year 1999. In this <u>Public Notice</u>, the Stations were incorrectly identified as being subject to regulatory fees. Attached hereto, for your reference, is a date-stamped copy of a September 18, 1998 letter, filed on behalf of MPR, confirming its tax exempt status.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher L. Robbins

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cc: Mitzi T. Gramling

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Attn: Managing Director

Re: Minnesota Public Radio

WMNN(AM), St. Paul, Minnesota 1998 Regulatory Fee Exemption

Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), the licensee of WMNN(AM), Minnespolis, Minnesota, are two letters from the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") evidencing MPR's status as a non-profit, tax-exempt entity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The first IRS letter, dated August 30, 1974, confirms that exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code was granted to MPR (then known as "Minnesota Educational Radio, Inc.") on February 10, 1969. The second IRS letter, dated April 12, 1985, confirms MPR's continuing exempt status subsequent to its name change. Because MPR is a non-profit, tax-exempt entity, it is not subject to the payment of FCC regulatory fees.

On June 16, 1998, the Commission released a Report and Order establishing the procedures for the payment of 1998 regulatory fees. In the Matter of Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 1998, FCC 98-115 (Rel. June 16, 1998). In this Report and Order, station WMNN(AM) was identified as being subject to a 1998 regulatory fee of \$3,250.00. The MNN Radio Networks provides programming for station WMNN pursuant to a local marketing agreement, and operates the station on a commercial basis. However, in light of MPR's non-profit, tax-exempt status, as the licensee of WMNN(AM), no regulatory fee is due.

Magalie R. Salas, Secretary September 18, 1998 Page 2

Please contact the undersigned should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Minnesota Educational Radio, Inc. 400 Sibley St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

#### Gentlemen:

Resords in this office indicate that exempt status under section 501(e)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code was granted to Minnesota Educational Radio, Inc. on February 10, 1969.

Sincerely yours,

C. D. Britzer District Director SEP-18-00 00:31

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District Director

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Based on the above, the tax exempt status of the ergenization still remains in effect.

Sincerely yours,

J. R. Starkey District Director