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Re:

Notification of Operation from Emergency Antenna and Request for Special Temporary Authority to Continue Operation from Emergency Antenna WSCN (FM). Cloquet. Minnesota

Dear Ms Salas:

On April 13, 1999, Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), the licensee of WSCN(FM), Cloquet, Minnesota (the "Station"), timely notified the Commission that the Station had gone off the air on April 3, 1999, as a result of damage sustained during a severe ice storm. See Exhibit A attached hereto. On behalf of MPR, undersigned counsel hereby (1) notifies the Commission that on April 13, 1999, the Station commenced operation with an emergency antenna pursuant to Section 73.1680 of the Commission's rules in order to restore program service to the public, and (2) requests special temporary authority for the Station to continue operating with an emergency antenna until the tower which houses the Station's facilities can be repaired or another suitable tower site can be located. MPR is requesting special temporary authority at this time because it anticipates that it will be forced to operate the Station from its emergency antenna for more than thirty days. The technical parameters of the temporary operation with the emergency antenna are as follows:

Antenna Coordinates: N46-47-20, W92-07-04 (Antenna Structure Registration Number for this tower is 1024128.)

Antenna Type: 2 bay ERI, FML antenna

Operating Power: 1 kw

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Height of Radiation Center Above Ground: 260 ft.

Because MPR is a noncommercial, educational licensee, no filing fee is required with this request. Attached hereto is a facsimile copy of an executed Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification. An original copy of the certification will be provided as a supplement to this request.

Should there be any questions concerning this matter, please contact this office.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Joseph Knoll III

cc: Mitzi T Gramling

## Exhibit A

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Re:

Notice of Temporary Discontinuance of Operation

WSCN (FM), Cloquet, Minnesota

Dear Ms Salas:

On behalf of Minnesota Public Radio ("MPR"), the licensee of WSCN(FM), Cloquet, Minnesota (the "Station"), and pursuant to Section 73.1740(a)(4) of the Commission's rules, this is to notify the Commission that on April 3, 1999, the Station went off the air. The Station was forced off the air because of damage caused by a severe ice storm. The Station's transmission equipment, as well as the tower and the transmitter building, were heavily damaged by the storm.

As a result of the storm damage, it was necessary to shut down the Station's transmitters, cut off power to the site, and temporarily prohibit access to the transmitter building. The tower owner has not been able to fully restore power to the site and both the tower and the transmitter building remain extremely unstable. MPR will request Special Temporary Authority to permit the Station to remain silent beyond thirty days should this become necessary.

Please contact the undersigned directly if there are any questions.

E. Joseph Knoll III

cc: Mitzi T Gramling

#### Exhibit

## **Anti-Drug Abuse Act Certification**

The applicant certifies that, in the case of an individual applicant, he or she is not subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. §853a, or, in the case of a non-individual applicant (eg corporation, partnership or other unincorporated association), no party to the application is subject to a denial of federal benefits pursuant to that section. For the definition of a "party" for these purposes, see 47 C.F.R. §1.2002 (b).

Yes [X]

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Minnesota Public Radio

Thomas J Kigin, Executive Vice President

4/14/99 Date