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Dear Listener:

In the past KYME has always made it a practice to personally reply to each person reporting reception of its test transmissions, all of which have been made in cooperation with various radio clubs in the U.S. and Canada; however, the recent installation of a new RCA transmitter, together with unusually favorable atmospheric conditions resulted in such a large volume of mail following our March 7, 1977 test (1:07 - 1:37 a.m. MST) that we must resort to this form letter.

Your report has been studied, and we are happy to verify herewith your reception of the above test.

Numerous reports were received from Canada, including the areas of Alberta and Ontario. Missouri, Ohio and Pennsylvania also reported, along with Michigan, Illinois, Kansas, Nebraska and others. The most distant report came from New Jersey. Central and Southern California listeners were also heard from.

As a sidelight: KCBS, the CBS owned-and-operated station in San Francisco had agreed to delay its customary antenna calibration tests for 30-minutes, but immediately after KCBS signed off, KBRT, Avalon began testing. As most of you know its transmitter is located on Santa Catalina Island, about 30 miles offshore from Los Angeles Harbor; nevertheless we were successful in getting a call through to the transmitter and they promptly shut down in deference to the DXers.

Many of the writers commented on the unusually good reception considering the 500-watts power limitation, and we were delighted to exercise our new transmitter for the first time in this test. It is actually a 1kw unit being operated at half-power, but KYME has filed with the FCC to move to 730kHz and increase its power to 1kw.

We trust the enclosed plastic KYME/CARD, which is familiar in the Boise area, will serve in lieu of a more conventional verification card.

KYME extends its best wishes to you in your future pursuit of distant stations. Thank you for your letter!

Sincerely
KYME BROADCASTERS, INC.


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