



February 20, 1979

Dear Kelly:

I am truly sorry for your reception report not being answered in the past, but let me explain the situation. I assumed the duties of chief engineer of the station January 19, 1979, and, while I have been with the station for almost 4 years, until just this past month, I held the assistant engineer position. Upon assumption of my new duties, I learned there were quite a few DX reports which the former chief engineer had not responded to. For what reason, I don't know, other than the fact that from May of 1977 until March of 1978, the WZIX engineering department had completed the following projects: Re-location and building from the ground up new studios and offices, installation of a new transmitter and complete re-building and re-adjustment of our phasor and night-time D.A. I am assuming these were the reasons for his neglecting to answer these reports. I was totally unaware of this matter, or

I would have volunteered to answer them myself. Now that I am in a position to take these matters into my own hands, let me assure you and your club members that no reception report will go unanswered, as I, myself am a DX'er, although not a member of any club. Back in the '60's when I was in high school, it was one of my favorite past-times. Unfortunately, time no longer permits much for me. I will be, within the next few weeks, making an attempt to find all our reports that I have no record of being answered, and sending out verification cards, I only regret that some go back a year.

For your info, our station operates with a Harris MW-5A transmitter, with a RCA BTA-5F as back-up. We have a three tower night-time DA with the major lobe of radiation to the east, and operate non-directional daytime. The station went on the air March 17, 1932 with the call WORK at 1320 khz. Frequency was changed to 1350 khz in 1943 and the call was changed in October 1973. We have gone 24 hour operation in January of 1979.

Again, thanks for writing and I hope to correct all the past wrongs within the next few weeks.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Hess'.

John Hess, C.E.