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Greetings from the First State!

We're glad you were able to participate in the Delaware DX Test Night.

This verification letter -- along with the accompanying Q.S.L. card -will confirm reception of 1450 WILM NEWSRADIO, Sunday morning, January 26th, 1997 at @ 1:06 a.m., Eastern Standard Time (EST) on our Federally assigned A.M. frequency of 1450 kiloHertz, with a power output of 1,000 watts.

We began transmitting a "squeal", followed by Morse Code Identification in the period from 01:06 to 01:09. However, from 01:34 to 01:59 we were transmitting the DX program from Radio Netherlands, "Media Network", so we did NOT do Morse code ID's at 01:37.

However, you provided sufficient information for us to confirm.

To date, the most distant reports received for this DX test transmission (with confirmable details) have been Richmond, Virginia and upstate New York,

Although we are technically non-directional, because of our antenna located near the Delaware River, and the ground conductivity along that river (I suspect)-plus other stations on 1450 kHz. in Atlantic City and Washington D.C., we tend to get out more north and south/southeast.

1450 WILM NEWSRADIO is primarily locally originated all-news and information, except for Rush Limbaugh, 1-4 p.m., and Jim Bohannon overnight. (A Delaware version of KYW Newsradio, except a little talk grafted on. Also, the news format is less repetitive.)

We are the only 1,000-watt, A.M. "stand alone" (NOT connected to any other station, such as an F.M.) station in the United States today to support a primarily locally originated all-news format. We are also the only station in the U.S. or Canada in a market of under a million people to support such a format. Winner of SEVEN national MARCONI nominations in FIVE years!

I have been DX'ing since 1966, primarily shortwave, but also the Standard Broadcast A.M. band and F.M. occasionally. I've had fun over the past year or two, QSL'ing some of the Caribbean A.M. stations on odd frequencies. I am a member of the North American Shortwave Association and the Canadian International DX Club. Also, Delaware technical monitor for Radio Deutsche Welle, The Voice of Germany.

Good DX'ing! 73! Have fun with the hobby. adu Allan R. Loudel Program Manager