

WJMM

106.3 fm

WCGW

770 am

3950 Lexington Road
Versailles, Kentucky 40383-1742

April 18, 1995

Mr. Kermit Geary
1266 Riverview Drive
Walnutport, PA 18088

Dear Kermit:

I am pleased to verify that you did, indeed, receive WCGW, 770 kHz, (Licensed to) Nicholasville, Kentucky on 9 April, 1995 at 1:28 AM EDT. I only sent two morse code ID's during the test (1:07 AM and 1:28 AM) and you copied exactly what I sent.

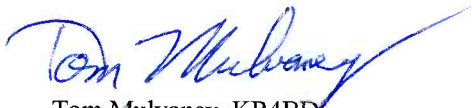
WCGW normally operates Sunrise to Sunset with 1,000 watts, into a non-directional, 300 foot vertical radiator. Our transmitting facility, consisting of a 1,000 watt solid state Harris transmitter and tower, is located about 3 miles east of Nicholasville, Ky. Studios are located on U.S.-60 (Lexington Rd.) midway between Lexington and Versailles, KY. Our regular format consists of Southern Gospel Music and inspirational programming. Our primary signal reaches nearly 50 counties in Kentucky and can be heard in northern Tennessee, Southeastern Indiana, and Southwestern Ohio on a good car radio during the day.

Conditions, here, during the test were terrible. A very heavy and loud thunderstorm was taking place and auroral conditions were definitely present. In fact, the announcer at our FM station down the hall (WJMM-FM) had the emergency FM transmitter operating instructions in his hand while I was doing the test on the AM. Our lights were flickering and several lightning strikes were real close!!! Our FM is normally NSP and most of the FM announcers normally only have to read meters on the transmitter. We never did lose power but it was certainly a possibility that we might have. . .

For your information, here in Kentucky, I was hearing Colombia on 770 much better than WABC before and after the test. Of course, such conditions can not be predicted many weeks ahead of a scheduled test. I did get several phone calls and reception reports mainly from the Southeastern U.S., all giving good reports on hearing the test. I hope to be able to do another test next winter in December or January. The management at WCGW was very receptive to my request to do such a test, for which I am thankful.

Thanks for letting us know you heard WCGW. I am really amazed you were able to hear being so close to WABC. Detailed reports such as yours makes doing these special DX test programs worthwhile for all of us here at 770-AM!

Sincerely,



Tom Mulvaney, KR4BD
NRC Member
Staff Announcer, WCGW-770 AM