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Mr. Kermit Geary  
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Dear Mr. Geary:

Thanks for your letter of March 3 and the cassette you provided. You did indeed hear WPNI on March 2.

WPNI has a rather unusual relationship with us and with WFCR, the public radio station in Amherst. It is a commercial licensee operating as a non-commercial station under special permission from NPR and PRI, the two major suppliers of public radio programming. As you noted (and your recording demonstrated), they carry our programs "The Connection" and "Here and Now" each weekday, and they credit us and WFCR with assistance in making this arrangement possible.

Your reception of the station is remarkable given its very low power at night. It has 5,000 watts daytime, but almost nothing after dark. You perceptively noted that it may have switched to daytime power at 5:58. Before the atmosphere heated up enough to lose the signal, WPNI may have gotten enough of a bounce to get to you.

Good listening!

Cordially yours,



Steve Elman  
Assistant General Manager

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