



November 7, 1994

Mr. Kermit Geary
1266 Riverview Drive
Walnutport PA 18088

Dear Mr. Geary:

This letter will confirm your reception of KKAR, 1290 kHz, during our special IRCA DX test on October 3, 1994, 12:00AM-12:30AM CDT.

KKAR broadcasts with a news/talk format continuously, with both locally produced and network news, talk, and sports programming. Our studios are located in downtown Omaha, and the transmitter site is located just south of the city limits. We use a Harris Gates-Five solid state transmitter. Daytime operation is non-directional using five kilowatts; at night a three-tower directional antenna is used, also at five kilowatts. The signal is directionalized to the northeast and southwest. During the DX test we alternated between directional and non-directional modes; it would appear most DX listeners heard us better in the non-directional mode.

KKAR has been on the air in Omaha since 1987, signing on originally on 1180 kHz. In 1993, our parent company purchased the license and transmitter site of Omaha radio station KOIL on 1290 kHz. Because the 1290 transmitter site provides a much better signal in Omaha than does the 1180 site (which is located east of Council Bluffs, Iowa), it was decided to transfer the KKAR calls and programming to the 1290 frequency. The KOIL callsign was reassigned to the 1180 facility, and we now program it with an adult standards format.

KKAR is pleased to be on your list of received stations. In the past year or so since we moved to 1290, we have received several QSL requests, including two from Finland and one from Italy. QSL requests are always welcomed, and we appreciate the opportunity to participate in the IRCA DX testing program.

Thanks for your reception report, and good luck with DXing.

Sincerely,

Allen Sherrill
Chief Engineer, KKAR-AM/KOIL-AM/KQKQ-FM

NOTES: Good to hear from you again
My Hammarlund HQ105-T2 still works, but I usually use Sony ICF2010 (better frequency readout)
Your reception was best when we switched to non-directional - we did not send any 400-Hz tones, so that must have been someone else

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