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Dear Kermit:

Thanks very much for your letter of March 29th, while time permits this morning, I'll get off a reply to you. It was good to hear from you, especially the part on your monitoring of the test from WCHE. At the time you were tuned in, and noted the identifications, that was none other than myself on the air checking out the studio equipment to make sure that everything was in working order there. I was very surprised at the results from this test, with reports being received from Chapel Hill and Rocky Mount, NC, Tampa, Fla., plus receiving phone calls from RI, MASS (ERC at Cape Cod) and Mike Heppie in Houston, MISS. In all, a very rewarding test.

I haven't taken the trip up to WQIQ yet, time hasn't been working with me as between working for Conrail fulltime and taking care of the two stations, it doesn't leave one much time to do anything. I will get over there as I now have about 4 reports to get verified.

This season for myself has been a so-so one, lots of reports sent out but not to many reply's have come back. Out of the ones you mentioned, WWWD-1240 answered a 1/31/77 report with a xerox letter, signed by CHARLES JABLONSKI, CE. If I'm not wrong, it took about 3 months for the reply to come back. WHNE has never replied for me but I noted ERC got a verie from them this year, I think one of our Norfolk NRC members walked the thing through. WEXM has never replied for me, I believe about 3 reports have gone unanswered. WABS is a day regular here, I had a report on them but it was never sent.

I believe I've been up in your area a few times, having made a few trips up to WYNS-1150 and once going to WLSH-1410. One of my radio freinds, Dave Shayer, does the voice announcements for WLVT Ch. 39 in your area, I'm planning on going up with him one of these days. I've also been up to see Dave Fox in Reading a few times.

I'll have to get over to WQIQ, like I was saying, soon. They shouldn't be to hard to extract a verie from as the CE there now used to be in the NRC and he always did send out veries when they were WEEZ.

Thanks again for taking the time to write, and tuning in WCHE during our test.

73's

Dave Schmidt