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**WDYL** 92.1 FM

February 12, 1979

Mr. Kermit Geary RD 4, Box 321 Walnutport, Pa. 18088

Dear Mr. Geary,

In reference to your letter of December 27, 1978, and your recording of our A.M. station, WGGM, in Chester, I'm pleased to verify without any doubt that this was our signal on December 25, 1978.

Our exact location is 37°22'58" north latitude and 77°25'32" west longitude - about ten miles south of Richmond, Virginia.

Our transmitter equipment consist of a Gates BC5P2, 5k transmitter using a 3CX2500F3 final tube plate modulated by a pair of 3CX2500's. R.F. power is series fed to a 353' vertical tower with a 163 ohm impedence. Our power imput at the present time is 4427 watts, but will be increased by mid-year to 5000. The ground system consist of 120 copper radials 175' in length plus a 24' x 24' copper ground screen at the base of our tower. The ground system stays moist year round as it sits in what's almost a swamp. Modulation is limited to 100% negative and 125% positive (required by FCC) by a Gates Limiter; no compression is normally used for better dynamic range and a better natural sound.

If you are up on your electronics and like to play with calculators, you will find that our antenna current at the base is 5.21 amps of R.F.  $I^2x R = watts$ . 5.21°x 163 ohm = 4424 or 3 watts under 100% power level. R.F. within 20 or 30 feet of the tower is so intense it will light a 40 watt fluorescent tube to full brilliance when held up in your hand, a very interesting effect.

Thanks for writing and good listening.

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Michael Melnyk, Jr. Chief Engineer