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## Dear Bill,

Thank you for sending us your reception report in connection with KBIV-AM on 2 December 2003. We confirm your report and we are pleased that our signal reached you. Your report about station KBJD in Denver is interesting because we have problems with their signal over-powering the KBIV signal in parts of El Paso. The Denver station operates at 1 Kw at night and we are allowed only 850 watts at night because of our location near Mexico. The transmitter site is located in a city ponding area where runoff water from storms is delivered. The site is on the northeast corner of Fonseca Dr. and the Border Highway and just a hop, skip, and a jump from Mexico.

We are familiar with Mancos because we lived in Farmington, NM where I was Chief Engineer for KENN-AM and KRWN-FM. That was in the early '80s. A good friend of mine, Ron Nott, lives north of Farmington and manufactures our AM antenna. Both 1650 Khz and 1150 Khz (KSVE-our sister station) operate with Nott Folded

Unipole antenna on a 71 meter tower. It was fun tuning the ATUs for both stations along with a reject load. Lots of coils and capacitors! Both station's transmitters are Broadcast Electronics solid-state. 1150 has a 5 Kw and 1650 has a 10 Kw. transmitter.

You received the KBIV signal, which was on night power, at 850 watts. Looking through some of the DX reports we have received for KBIV, yours appears to be the first received.

Happy Dxing!

sincerely,

Jim Lotspeich N5FKW