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John N. Sampson
5055 Moose Point Road
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Dear John:

Thank you for your report of reception. This letter is verification that it was indeed correct. We do monitor our sky wave transmission characteristics.

CKY Radio is one of the 3 oldest radio stations in Manitoba. The other two stations are no longer in existence. At its inception, March 1923, Manitoba Telephone System was the owner. It was a 500 watt station, later updated to 5,000 watts. The aerial towers were located at the Manitoba Agricultural College.

CKY passed from public ownership in 1949. Moffat Communications Limited, under the ownership of Lloyd Moffat, began broadcasting at one minute to midnight, December 31st, 1949, with a licence from the Board of Broadcast Governors. This new CKY was allowed to broadcast at 50,000 watts and does so to the present day. In September, 1992, the radio station was sold to Rogers Broadcasting Limited, the present owner.

CKY (KY58) presently broadcasts from a transmitter site 32 km south of the City of Winnipeg, with a transmitter power of 50,000 watts on the frequency 580 kHz. The main transmitter is a solid state Nautel ND50. The standby transmitter is a 10 kW Continental 316-F. The antenna array, a four tower (130 m) DA-2, was rebuilt in 1978. CKY has been broadcasting in stereo since the early 80's. First, the Kahn stereo system was used. When Canadian regulators officially approved the Motorola AM Stereo system only, CKY switched. Standby power, in case of power line failures, can only operate the standby transmitter.

CKY was the first station in Winnipeg to introduce female on-air DJ's. CKY was also first to use computer assisted music programming.

Thank you for taking the time to inform us of your reception; it is appreciated. Enclosed please find one of our promotional decals.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Buzunis". The signature is stylized and somewhat scribbled.

George Buzunis, P. Eng.
Chief Engineer
KY/CITI

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