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Mr. John Sampson  
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Dear John,

Thanks for your recent reception report. I am happy to confirm that you were receiving KKOW 860 AM on January 16, 1991.

As you will learn from the information I have provided about KKOW, we are 10kw by day, 5kw directional by night. KKOW utilizes a three antenna phasing system to decrease power to the North, while increasing our signal to the South. We have one of the most restrictive nighttime patterns to the North that I have ever seen at a U-S broadcasting facility. As you are aware, we are required to trim our nighttime signal to the North drastically to protect CJBC. Our nighttime signal to the South, however, remains strong. Most nights, barring electrical interference, KKOW can be heard throughout the South, even into parts of Mexico.

I suspect the reason that KKOW was heard in Minneapolis was a direct result of the outbreak of hostilities in the Persian Gulf. Based on the urgency of the situation, we decided to broadcast under the Emergency Broadcasting Guidelines, which dictate that we can go to full, unrestricted power in the event of an emergency. Obviously, we felt the war warranted such actions.

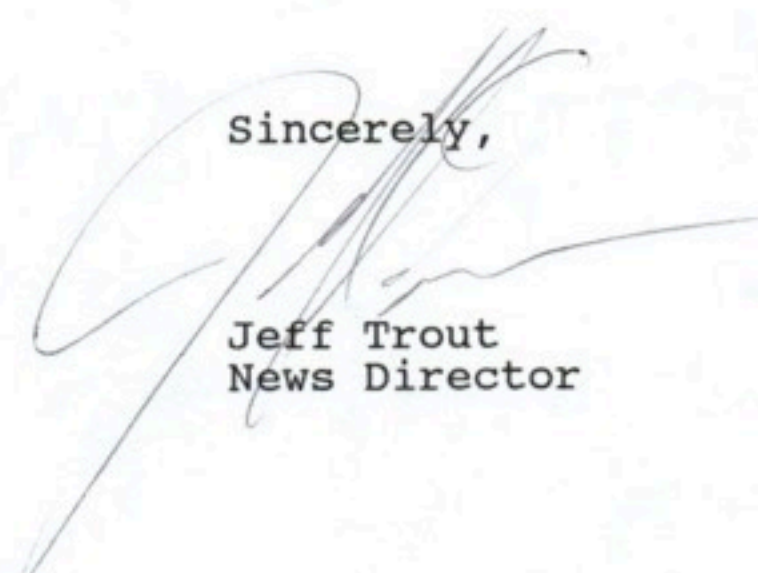
During the Spring and Summer, when severe weather is at its peak, we will go to full power during a severe weather warning. With that in mind, if you know our region is being hit by strong storms, you may be able to receive KKOW in the future.

We have received DX reports from all over the world, but it has been some time since we have received a report from the North.

Your log is one of the most accurate I have seen in some time, even the spellings of names and places are correct.

I hope this helps you, and I wish you continued success in your search for new stations.

Sincerely,



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