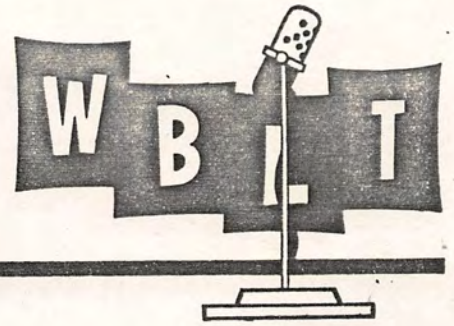


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David F. Thomas
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Tampa, Florida 33604

January 25, 1982

Dear Mr. Thomas,

This will confirm your report of reception of Radio Station WBLT, Bedford, Virginia, 1350 KHz on the morning of January 18, 1982.

At that time WBLT was conducting a Proof of Performance test consisting of a series of 50 Hz to 7.5 KHz tones, on for a short time and then off, which I'm sure made listening more difficult. I also used a couple of musical selections and voice ID at varying intervals.

As of February 9, 1982, WBLT will have been on the air for 32 years, starting with 250 watts on 1490 KHz. At present the station operates with a power of 1000 watts and uses a Gates BC1G transmitter feeding a 215 foot non-directional antenna. The call letters were derived from a slogan the Town Fathers came up with years ago: World's Best Little Town. (We still like to think it is).

Thank you for your report of reception. Also, thanks to the National Radio Club for listing the test in "DX News". This resulted in too many replies to answer each one individually, hence, the form letter.

Best DX and 73.

John P. Laughlin
John P. Laughlin, CE
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PS: Yes, David, I did stay on the air longer than was listed - ran into trouble - and did use short bursts of tones, so feel that you did hear WBLT. No other Tampa reports.