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Publisher's Notes

The Anniversary Issue is ONE WEEK away. NOW's the time to send in an interesting story, some tips, a comment or two... I've already received some good stuff! Don't be left out... say hello and introduce yourself.

Along with this week's issue is the IRCA Convention Registration Form. Plan early to attend!

Welcome to new member Rene E. Auvray of Henderson NV—we look forward to hearing from you soon! -RT

DX Tests

PLEASE NOTE: Even if you don't hear a test, be sure to contact the station, and thank them for going to the trouble to run a test! Please remember, what's listed as being on, say, Monday morning "may" be what you think of as Sunday night!

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Thursday, March 13, 2003 -- 1420 WKWN Trenton,

GA Midnight-1am LOCAL (EST) (0000-0100 EST) Test will consist of distinctive music and CW ID. WKWN will be testing at 2.5 kW, non-directional. WKWN's phone number is 706-657-7594. Arranged by Phil Patton for DX-midAMerica. Reception reports may be sent to:

WKWN Radio PO Box 829 Trenton, GA 30752 Attn: Phil Patton



Thanks to John J. Rieger, DX-midAMerica

Thursday, March 20, 2003 -- 910 WEPG South Pittsburg, TN Midnight-1am LOCAL (CST) (0100-0200 EST) Test will consist of distinctive music and CW ID. WEPG will be at 5 kW non-directional. WEPG's phone number is 423-837-7577. Arranged by Phil Patton for DX-midAMerica. Reception reports may be sent to:



WEPG Radio 105 Ash Ave South Pittsburg, TN 37380 Attn: Phil Patton

Thanks to John J. Rieger, DX-midAMerica

John notes that WKWM and WEPG will use "Voice, music and the following digital modes: RTTY 45.45 baud at 170 Hz shift, BPSK31, MFSK, THROB, (1 kHz bandwidth, long interleave) and SSTV Scottie DX mode. Hopefully the other modes will be of interest to someone, if nothing else hearing a teletype style signal on the AM broadcast band will be good proof it was us! By the way, the center frequency for the teleprinter modes will be 1900 Hz." Here's the results of the most recent DX test that has been received here:

WFNY-1440, Gloversville, NY 12:00-1:00 am ELT - tested Sunday, February 23, 2003 from 1 2:00-1:00 am ELT: According to Ron Musco of NRC's CPC, the CE reported to him that the test ran as scheduled, with full day power of 800w, but no one called the station during the test. Ron reports that he probably heard some CW from the test and was having the CE check on the timing - I believe Ron was in Poquonock, CT during the test. Reports from Madison, WI (Tim Noonan and Bill Dvorak), Helena, AL (Les Rayburn), Ft. Wayne, IN (Blaine Thompson), Springfield, VA (Andrew Lisowski), and east of Troy, NY (Gordon Bell) - just about 50 mi from the station - all confirmed that the test wasn't heard by them. Ron mentioned that the test was run during a storm, with thunder and lightning and noise abundant, so perhaps that had something to do with it...

That's all for now... Lynn (ircamember@ircaonline.org)

Election Status Update Reid Wheeler, ECC

Nominations for IRCA officers and board of directors is now closed. A total of 28 members have been nominated - 4 for President, 1 for Secretary/Treasurer and 25 for Board of Directors (3 of the 4 Presidential nominations were also nominated for the Board). This is the largest number of nominations that I can remember and shows a high interest for the club.

Once I receive confirmation of each nominee having met the eligibility requirements from our Secretary/Treasurer (must have held one year's continuous membership as of April 15, 2003), notifications via e-mail (snail mail if no e-mail) will be sent out to each eligible nominee to confirm if they will run for the office or not.

More info as it happens. Please direct any questions to me at wma001@attbi.com

Web Sites for AM DX Stuff

I stumbled across a website called **"Surfing the Aether"**. It's a history of radio, of sorts, and is broken down into ten year time periods. The author (I never found his name other than his e-mail address which contains Chris in it) also has a section where he highlights theparallels between the early days of radio and the beginnings of the Internet. Interesting stuff... have a look-see at http://www.northwinds.net/bchris/index.htm.

There's more than AM radio here, but a great site to follow the goings on in **Virginia Broadcasting** is VARTV.com. Find it at (what else) <u>www.vartv.com</u>.

If you have found an interesting website that revolves around AM medium wave radio, or complimentary facets of the hobby, be sure and let me know about it! -RT

FALL 2002 VERSION! The IRCA Mexican Log 8th Edition



lists all AM stations in Mexico by frequency, including call letters, state, city, day/night power, slogans, schedule in UTC/GMT, formats, networks and notes. The call letter index gives call, frequency, city and state. The city index (listed by state, then city) includes frequency, call and day/night power. The log has been completely updated from the 2001 edition and

carefully cross-checked by several IRCA members. This is an indispensable reference for anyone who hears Mexican radio stations. Size is 8 1/2" x 11" and three hole punched for easy binding. Prices: IRCA/NRC members - \$9.50 (US/Canada/Mexico/sea mail), \$10.50 (rest of the Americas airmail), \$11.00 (Europe/Asia airmail), \$11.50 (Australia/New Zealand airmail). Non-members: add \$2.50 to the above prices.



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CALL CHANGES

FREQ.	OLD CALL	NEW
1170	KOWO – WASECA, MN	KOWZ
1370	KMDR – PEARL CITY, HI	KJPN
1520	WGAM- GREENFIELD, MA	WIZZ
	FORMAT CHANGES	
FREQ. 900 910 920 1050 1150 1150 1180 1250 1340 1370 1370 1400 1430 1450 1450 1450	CALL – CITY WDDT – GREENEVILLE, MS KNEW- OAKLAND, CA KWYS – WEST YELLOWSTONE, MT WIQB – CONWAY, SC KAXX – EAGLE RIVER, AK KCUV – ENGLEWOOD, CO WJJF – HOPE VALLEY, RI WARE – WARE, MA KKAM – LUBBOCK, TX WBYE – CALERA, AL KGNO – DODGE CITY, KS WLTN – LITTLETON, NH KMRC – MORGAN CITY, LA WBYU – NEW ORLEANS, LA WKXW – ATLANTIC CITY, NJ WPAM – POTTSVILLE, PA KNET – PALESTINE, TX	NEW INFO SILENT TALK "TALK 910" SILENT TO BE ESPN SPTS//WJXY NOW SILENT SILENT TRAD. C&W OLDIES "OLDIES 1250" ESPN SPORTS BLACK GOSPEL TALK, SPORTS OLDIES CAJUN R. DISNEY ESPN SPORTS SILENT CTRY OLDIES "CLSC 1450"
1470	WPAO – FARRELL, PA	SILENT
1490	KBIX – MUSKOGEE, OK	SPORTS
1510	KAGY – PORT SULPHUR, LA	CAJUN//KMRC
1520	WLKM – THREE RIVERS, MI	JRN TRAD. C&W
1520	KOMA – OKLAHOMA CITY, OK	NEWS, TALK
1570	KYCR – GOLDEN VALLEY, MN	TALK, RELIGION
1580	WPKY – PRINCETON, KY	ESPN SPORTS

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

FREQ.	CALL – CITY	NEW INFO
710	WKLN – ST. AUGUSTINE BEACH, FL	DEC. To 710-D
950	WWJK – MONCKS CORNER, SC	INC. TO 7000-N, DA-N
1000	KXRB – SIOUX FALLS, SD	ADD 100-N, DA
1000	WRAR – TAPPAHANNOCK, VA	DEC. TO 300-D, ND
1050	KMAP – FRAZIER PARK, CA	ADD 7-N, ND
1260	KSML – DIBOLL, TX	INC. TO 4500-D, ND
1290	Kuoa – Siloam Springs, La	INC. TO 5000-D, ND
1350	KTIK – NAMPA, ID	INC. TO 5000-N, DA-N
1510	WLKM – THREE RIVERS, MI	MOVE to 1520, 430-D, ND
1560	KEGG – DANGERFIELD, TX	ADD 60-N, ND

NEW STATION APPLICATIONS

FREQ.	CALL – CITY	NEW INFO
1090	FARMINGTON, NM	1500/250 DA-2
1590	MANTI, UT	10000/800 DA-2

FACILITY & PARAMETER APPLICATIONS

FREQ.	CALL – CITY	NEW INFO
960	WPRT – PRESTONBURG, KY	DEC. TO 3800/13 ND
1380	WAOK – ATLANTA, GA	INC. TO 50000-D, DA-N
1560	WRSJ – BAYAMON, PR	DEC. TO 2500-D

FACILITY & PARAMETER GRANTS

FREQ.	CALL – CITY	NEW INFO
660	KCRO – OMAHA, NE	ADD 54-N, ND
950	WWJK – MONCKS CORNER, SC	10000/6000 DA-2
1170	WPLX – GEORGETOWN, TN	INC. TO 5000-D, ND
1190	WBIS – HIGHLAND BEACH, MD	INC. TO 50000-D
1450	KZNU – ST. GEORGE, UT	MOVE TO 1440, 10000/42
		DA-N (I STILL SHOW THIS
		AS KTSP-ed.)
1470	WFJY – PORTAGE, PA	DEC. TO 270-D, ND

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

Pat Martin of Seaside, OR. passes along the following from Deane McIntyre of Calgary, AB., and Dan Sys of Langley, BC passes along the same information:

The move of CKVM Ville Marie Quebec to FM (93.1 MHz, 18.4 kW) was approved by the CRTC today: <u>http://www.crtc.gc.ca/archive/ENG/Decisions/2003/db2003-81.htm</u>

It seems that the move was at least in part forced by complaints of QRM by WOR. Rather ironic considering what the WOR IBOC operation will do to WLW and WGN.

Pat sends along the following re KDZR-1640 OR:

KDZR-1640 has an app for 10/10 U4, so probably directional to the West. I called around and got a local phone number for KDZR-Portland. I phoned the number and first the guy answered the phone "hello". I could hear all sorts of noise in the background, like a rooming house. I asked if this was Radio Disney. The guy said hold on. Came back and said I had the wrong number. It just did not seem right. I checked the number again and called with the area code in front, just in case. We live in the (503) area code as does Portland. This time another guy answered the phone want dead. I called back and someone else answered the phone "Radio Disney" and I started to ask, and he said "Please stop calling me" and hung up. That has to be one the the oddest phone calls to a station I ever heard. I was shocked, from Radio Disney. I don't know who the people were, but you know they could have said, we don't have any info, please call back later or something like that. They were downright rude. No wonder the broadcasting industry is in the shape it is! I'll have to try back later on...

They apparently just changed recently as Don Kaskey had told me about them and I tuned in to find "AM 1640, KDZR Lake Oswego-Portland" ID at 8:58 AM (PST) 2/25. The last time I checked a week or so ago they were still rel., but maybe when Curtis heard them they were testing the new format? The FCC has an app for them to go directional and go 10 KW fulltime according to Patrick Griffth too. There is also an app for 1 KW in Oklahoma now on 1640 too.

1640 has been sold to ABC. They are at a different location and number. Crawford has nothing to do with them. They have an app for 10 KW day & night on 1640 too. Directional.

Dave Gordon of San Jose, CA. passes along the following:

It looks like XEPRS 1090 will be sports and tonight, KFSG-FM, 93.5 is going to drop their Christian format, which it had since the 1920s on various frequencies, for Spanish. See the XEPRS news from Radio and Records:

Report: San Diego About To Get A New Sports/Talker

Rumors have been hot and heavy for a few weeks that veteran broadcaster John Lynch — the man who launched Southern California's "XTRA Sports 690" a decade ago — is about to fire up another locally staffed Sports/Talker from south of the border on XEPRS-AM at 1090 kHz. The San Diego Union Tribune reports that the new station, which will be called "The Mighty 1090," will launch early next week and be programmed by former XTRA-AM programmer Bill Pugh and include a number of former local XTRA-AM hosts, including Scott Kaplan, Billy Ray Smith, John Fricke and Steve Mason. R&R's calls to Lynch's San Diego office had not been returned at press time.

Dan Sys of Langley, BC. passes on the following re 850 Abbotsford, BC.

The CRTC approved the application for 850 Abbotsford. They will simulcast the new Vancouver aboriginal station on 92.3. 850 has been silent for over a year after moving to 107.1. They do seem to be quite rare down south, although I recall Larry Godwin reporting them a couple times a few years ago when they were CKMA.

Hertbert Newberry of Newborn, GA. passes along the following:

"Per BI, DXM 2/15/03, page 5 reference by Pat Griffith: 1670 is WRNC, Warner Robins, GA. With UC: Gos format. Carries Sheridan Gospel Network, slogan: "The Light". They are // to WLCG-1280 and local FM 102.5. 1670 is an "X-bander", 10000/1000 U1 while 1280 is a regional 5000/99, U1, 500 PSRA. Being 61 miles north of Macon, both are "armchair" days and 1670 solid at night, preventing any attempt for the two CA stations on 1670...

1180 WZQZ-Grovetown (Summerville, GA.) is now NOS, "Music of Your Life", ex-rel. Per letter to/from station. They also carry WSB-TV 2 News audio from 1800-1900 ELT, M-F (clarified my log entry in EDXR, DXM 48, Page 7 at the top)."

Well, I'm now officially KG6RJW, just got my new FCC license in the mail Friday 2/28/03. Glad to see a good turnout in the column this time. Anniversary issue is coming up soon, show your support and send in your DX and send in a forum! Happy Anniversary, IRCA! I'll see you all in Portland, ME also in June... 73's.

WESTERN DX ROUNDUP

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OF SPECIAL INTEREST

- 1640 KDZR OR, Lake Oswego 2/25 now Radio Disney with ID at 1158 "AM 1640, KDZR Lake Oswego-Portland" back into Radio Disney. Lots of KDIA/KBJA QRM though. (PM-OR)
 - +2/27 0305-0359 good, unexpected call & format change for me, Radio Disney. Would have preferred WKSH, hi. Code word for the day and ESPN sports for kids. Any record of this beforehand? (DP-OR)
 - +2/27 0738 "Radio Disney Portland" followed by Disney promos, good, all over semi-local KDIA. (AB-CA)
 - ?KDZR? +2/23 2245 assumed the Radio Disney programmer here faintly in N-S null of KDIA. 2/25 much better signal at 0300 when KDIA had a 2 minute pause at the top of the hour. Radio Disney just kept playing music until KDIA returned. I'll eventually hear an ID (I hope). KBJA-UT cuts thru KDIA guite easily when looped E-W, much easier than KDZR. (DKK-CA)

- CBK SK, Regina 2/19 0100 in poor with ID "CBK Regina." (CM-CA) 540
- KOGO CA, San Diego 2/19 0130 in good with "KOGO San Diego" ID. (CM-CA) 600
- 630 KIDD CA, Monterey 1/28 CNN network news // KWAI-1080 and KKEA-1420 except for the ads (pure CNN network as opposed to Mutual network feed): ad for Carbolife Gold; liner by man "... memories for the Monterey Bay...Magic 63" into Carpenters song // 920. Per website airs Jones Radio's Music of Your Life format so the // was KSHO-OR. (5P-HI)
- 750 KXL OR, Portland 2/19 0140 poor with "KXL" ID. (CM-CA) KOAL UT, Price 2/19 0145 poor with "KOAL Price" ID. (CM-CA)
- 760 KFMB CA, San Diego 2/19 0200 in good with "KFMB San Diego" ID. (CM-CA)
- KTTH WA, Auburn 2/18 0359 totally dominating KKOB with end of Michael 770 Reagan talk show. ID 0400 then into ABC news. Really powerful signal. (DKK-CA)
- 830 CKKY AB, Wainwright 2/20 0242 surprised by cutting thru KNCO/KPLS easily with C&W music. Continued for the next hour. (DKK-CA)
- 870 WWL LA, New Orleans 2/19 0205 good with "WWL New Orleans" ID. (CM-CA)
- 940 KWRU CA, Fresno 1/28 0556 Radio Unica network ads // KBLA-1580 & KUNX-1590. Group saying "Esta es Wunta (?)" ID in Spanish "kah-double-ooh-airooh Fresno" and slogan; man with talk and several mentions of "Radio Unica." No English ID noted! KHCM off. Probably connected with improved audio of sister station 870 KAIM. (5P-HI)
- 1150 KAGO OR, Klamath Falls 2/22 1007 news & car ad, call ID. (BN-CO)
- 1230 KSZL CA, Barstow 2/21 2046 with NOS music and ID 2048 plus "Stardust" slogan. (DKK-CA)
 - KORT ID, Grangeville 2/21 2027 with ID while solid atop during an ad break, "Here on K-O-R-T twelve thirty." Not heard since a f/c in April 1958. Just call me the Steve Kennedy of the West. ③ (DKK-CA)
- 1240 KEZY CA, San Bernardino 2/21 2100 atop in Spanish to the top of hour ID. This guy is becoming a regular lately which irks me a bit as I tried for ages before finally hearing them. (DKK-CA)
- 1320 KFNZ UT, Salt Lake City 2/27 0320 atop with sports scores from "Sporting News Radio Network." Somehow cutting thru KMKY slop fairly well. No KCTC noticed in the backwash. Wish some giant cat would come along & eat the mouse so I could her something on 1300-1310-1320. (DKK-CA)
- 1410 KMYC CA, Marysville 2/16 2018 noted with a Hank Locklin tune, continued with classic country until ID 2029. Announcements indicated format change but I haven't been able to confirm this, as no C&W music has been heard on 1410 since. (DKK-CA)

- 1430 KLO <u>UT</u>, Ogden 2/27 0700 fair with full ID at top of hour. Semi local KYKN null, into ABC news. (DP-OR)
- 1450 KFLS <u>OR</u>, Klamath Falls 2/25 0929 ESPN promo then man with "Right here on KFLS." (AB-CA)
- 1580 KVVY <u>CA</u>, Merced 2/21 0205 with classic country song. Format change. Lots of KBLA, KGAL, KMIK QRM. KVVY not often heard nights. (DKK-CA)
- 1600 KCKK CO, Lakewood 2/27 0734 "Classic Country" slogan then into C&W music. Poor. (AB-CA)
 - KEED <u>OR</u>, Eugene 2/25 0909 weather report for western Oregon, good with KUBA nulled. (AB-CA)
- 1660 KXOL UT, Brigham City 2/27 Barbara Lewis song "Baby I'm Yours," 16-60 KXOL ID at 0748. (AB-CA)
- 1680 KAVT CA, Fresno 2/27 0458 fair with Radio Disney. (DP-OR)
- 1690 KSXX <u>CA</u>, Roseville 2/27 0300 fair top of hour ID in English. (Spanish (religious?) music. (DP-OR)
- UNID
- 760 2/27 0503 mostly Spanish talk with just a bit of music. Thought I heard La Zeta in the mix, plus "Grupo..." KFMB dominating, and some KKZN. Seemed // to KWIP-880 for just a bit?? Hoping for Mexico. (DP-OR)
- 1270 TX? 2/26 2000 ID as "K-Buena," ad for Wells Fargo. KESS? (BN-CO)
- 1500 2/10 1500 poor under KSJX with weather forecast for South Lake Tahoe and Sacramento Valley, also weather for San Francisco Bay area. Does anyone know what station this is? What are call letters? (CM-CA)
- 1640 2/19 0400 Radio Disney coming in poor under KDIA. (CM-CA)
- 1640 2/24 0200 & 0300 ID sounded like KEDR Lake Oswego-Portland over/under KBJA. Call change? (BN-OR) (As far as I know they are KDZR.—NJ)

Next week will be the anniversary issue so I hope to receive many reports for that special bulletin. Nancy 3/1 2100

CENTRAL DX ROUNDUP

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DOWN THE DIAL

- 790 CIGM ON, Sudbury. 2-24 fair, dominating. 07:54 with local spots, calls, country music format. [JJR-WI]
- 1050 WTKA MI, Ann Arbor. 2-24 fair under WLIP. 07:43 with ESPN, "The Ticket 10-50 WTKA." [JJR-WI]
- 1110 WBCA AL, Bay Minette. 2-24 fair, alone. 07:04 with "Great American Radio Network and NASCAR racing" into country song. [JJR-WI]

- 1190 WBSL MS, Bay Saint Louis. 2-24 poor under WOWO. 07:00 with legal ID into song. [JJR-WI]
- 1410 KWYO WY, Sheridan. 2-28 good. 19:56 with NOS music format and "14-10 KWYO Sheridan" legal ID on the hour into ABC News. New for me. [PAL-MN]
- 1490 WABJ MI, Adrian. 2-23 poor. 18:25 fade up with calls, weather, spots. [JJR-WI]

25 YEARS AGO

March 4, 1978 issue of IRCA's "DX Monitor" ... **Bill Townshend** of Washington DC said he was 46 and single. He started to DX in 1941 ... **Mark Connelly** of Arlington, MA told about the worst snowstorm in history that hit February 6th and 7th ... **Steve Mittman** of San Pedro, CA said he was 21 and attended the University of California at Irvine ... **Dan Sys** of Vancouver, BC asked if anyone had a list of addresses for Mexican stations.

OPEN MIKE

Be sure to send in your reports to all the columns for the anniversary issue! This column was typed 3-1-03. 73, John

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Pretty good conditions on 2/26 and also to report from **Albert Lehr** who reported Solomon Islands, which isn't heard often these days. Good going!

TRANS-PACIFIC DX ROUNDUP

- 531 **NEW ZEALAND**, Auckland, 1XPI, fair o/JOQG with man in what sounded like Samoan at 1440 UTC 2/26. (PM-OR)
- 531 JAPAN, Morioka JOQG, JJ talk u/1XPI at 1440 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 558 **JAPAN**, Kobe JOCR mix of JCR and DZXL, JJ talk with JJ pops 1418 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 558 **PHILIPPINES**, Makati, DZXL fair and briefly above JOCR with Filipino talk, MOR/Pops 1419 2/26, then man said "DZXL" in conversation. Fair to poor, soon lost behind JOCR. (PM-OR)
- 567 **JAPAN**, Sapporo JOIK, fair with JJ talk in passing at 1422 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 576 RUSSIA? Soft classical mx weak 1509 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 585 **JAPAN**, Kushiro JOPG, JJ talk //531 at 1443 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 594 JAPAN, Tokyo JOAK strong with usual JJ talk 1409 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 657 **DEM.REP. KOREA**, fair with rather weak modulation but strong carrier of usual mad sounding ranting at 1451 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 729 JAPAN, Nagoya JOCK good with JJ talk 1453 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 738 TAIWAN, Penghu BEL2 fair w/YL w/news in CC 1503 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 756 CHINA, CC talk and pop mx. Listed as C1 net station 1506 2/26 (PM-OR)
- 774 **JAPAN**, Akita JOUB strong w/CC/EE talk 1445 2/26. Lang. Lessons presumed. (PM-OR)
- 855 UNID, orch mx 1452 2/26. Dem. Korea? (PM-OR)
- 1035 **SOLOMON ISLANDS**, Honiara 2/28 0845 Weak with man reading the news in EE. Not very readable, so I checked 5020 with DX 398 and hrd the same pgm with mention of Solomon Is. I have been after this since Sept. PFM 1034.9989 kHz (AL-CA)

1062 **PHILIPPINES**, Quezon City DZEC Presume the Filipino talk in passing several times from 1415 to 1515 UTC 2/26. This is the most common Filipino I hear now. (PM-OR)

THANKS TO THESE REPORTERS

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DXing with Allied A-2515 receiver, Homebrew extrnal sync detector, freq. measurement system, Two 35' EWE antennas at 218 and 293 degrees.

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I was reading Doug Pifer's Forum in Reid Wheeler's column in DXM 40-23. The news of Lowry Mays' grilling by a Senate committee was all over the press, even on the AP wire. I also agree that Clear Channel is so impersonal these days, unfortunately, so is the rest of corporate radio. For that reason, I stopped sending for AM and FM veries in 2000, and was one of several reasons why I stopped looking for on-air work in commercial radio in 2001. I've pretty much stopped listening to commercial radio, preferring to listen to noncommercial and shortwave broadcasters. I would like to encourage all IRCAns to write their elected officials, and express opposition to further deregulation of the commercial media. The current wave of deregulation has been destructive for commercial radio: nearly 13,000 jobs have been lost, the legitimate, "play by the (FCC) rules" DJs have been replaced with illegal, sex-driven and bloodthirsty "shock jocks" of dubious talent, the talk radio scale has been tipped to the extremes, commercial radio program quality and listenership have declined (they've allowed NPR and PRI to pass them up in program quality), fewer owners, increased employment discrimination (especially against people with disabilities), increased negative attitudes on the part of station management (in other words, station management should be willing to try talent new to commercial radio, even those who are currently working in, or have worked in, public radio, instead of shutting new talent out of the field altogether), and far fewer chances for homegrown talent (born, raised and/or trained for the radio business in the city a particular station is in) to be successful in the radio business at any level. Worst of all, AM and FM are being desecrated by IBOC-DAB, an unproven technology that is incompatible with our current analog radios (proven by the nighttime IBOC tests in November 2002). We have lost a lot of our freedoms since the Telecommunications Act of 1996 took effect. Further deregulation would complete the transformation of the U.S. media system from an independent and impartial system into more of a Soviet-style media system, but with only the rich in control, and only one view disseminated. Therefore, we will lose whatever freedoms on programming choice, as far as AM and FM are concerned, we may have left. The only winners, if the commercial media is further deregulated, are the illegal media monopolies like Clear Channel. Who will lose from further deregulation? One segment of the population that will lose is the DX community, which has already lost a lot of representation in commercial radio since Deregulation was implemented, will stand to lose even more from further deregulation, as fewer and fewer of our fellow hobbyists are still working in commercial radio. More and more stations will refuse to verify reports from distant listeners (a group that is larger than many radio stations think). Ethnic minorities (such as African-Americans, Asian-Americans and even Arab-Americans), which have already been hurt by the current wave of deregulation, will be almost totally shut out of ownership and have their chances at employment hurt. The largest

minority, people with disabilities, already totally shut out of station ownership opportunities, already have very little representation in the commercial media. They will be hurt most by the proposed reckless moves of Powell's FCC. Further deregulation will most likely eliminate the remaining radio workers with disabilities (even those with minor disabilities). Musicians, which have already lost a lot in the current wave, will lose even more in a less regulated and more hostile environment. Many struggling musicians in certain genres are shut out of commercial radio airplay by the renewed use of payola by corporate broadcasters, not to mention standardized playlists which have homogenized radio programming. "Play by the (FCC) rules" DJs will also be severely hurt; further deregulation would mean that the DJs that do radio that's safe for our children would be fired at a more rapid rate, and result in an increase in illegal "shock jocks" like Howard Stern. Bubba "The Love Sponge" and Don and Mike. Most of all, it will hurt the listener, who will be looking for alternatives. I don't think XM and Sirius satellite radio provides much of an alternative; the only other alternative available is shortwave radio. Reregulation will bring discipline back to a business that has been lacking in it in recent years. Ownership limits, taking the illegal "shock jocks" off the air forever, balancing out the politics of talk radio, ending discrimination, improving existing technologies, and returning control of playlists to the local level are just a few of the things that I believe will return discipline and sanity to commercial radio. I have been one of those hurt by the current wave of deregulation, having lost my commercial career four years ago. Further deregulation will cost more people the careers that they have worked so hard for. I've already contacted my elected officials, asking them to oppose further deregulation of the commercial media, 73 and good DX from Eric (NOUIH).

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I am home this Monday morning, playing hookey from the part-time job (or, as I told them, I needed a mental health weekend, hi). I have had the HQ-100 on but not really listening all that intently to it. I did note WCKO-1110 VA on for a new station plus listening to WSAI-1530 for a few minutes. They were big band MOYL but is now oldies, like 104.5 here in Indy. I miss the MOYL format. As I type this, I am listening to local WNTS-1590 running their 0630 Circuit Rider program. I am now up to 174 heard here. Like a lot of others, I am tired of the snow and am ready for spring. Hold on -- somebody out of the east is riding over WNTS (whose towers are only about four or five miles north of my) but I am not sure I can keep them long enough for an ID. 73.

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