**Before the**

## Federal Communications Commission

## Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of )

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Minter Field Airport District ) File No. EB-FIELDWR-14-00013399

Licensee of Station WQNN285 ) NOV No. V201432900017

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Shafter, California )

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Released: April 10, 2014

By the District Director, Los Angeles Office, Western Region, Enforcement Bureau:

1. This is a Notice of Violation (Notice) issued pursuant to Section 1.89 of the Commission’s rules (Rules)[[1]](#footnote-1) to Minter Field Airport District (Minter Field) licensee of station WQNN285 in Shafter, California. Pursuant to Section 1.89(a) of the Rules, issuance of this Notice does not preclude the Enforcement Bureau from further action if warranted, including issuing a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture for the violations noted herein.[[2]](#footnote-2)
2. On April 10, 2013, in response to a complaint of interference, an agent observed Minter Field operating on 122.9 MHz. A letter of inquiry (LOI) was issued and the following violation was determined:
   1. 47 C.F.R. § 1.903(a): “Stations in the Wireless Radio Services must be used and operated only in accordance with the rules applicable to their particular service as set forth in this title and with a valid authorization granted by the Commission…” At the time of the investigation, Minter Field was operating on frequency 122.9 MHz without a valid authorization. On March 13, 2014, Minter Field responded to the LOI from this office stating that they are continuing to operate on 122.9 MHz.
3. Pursuant to Section 308(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,[[3]](#footnote-3) and Section 1.89 of the Rules, we seek additional information concerning the violation and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, Minter Field must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain the violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct the violations and preclude recurrence, and (iii) must include a time line for completion of any pending corrective action(s). The response must be complete in itself and must not be abbreviated by reference to other communications or answers to other notices.[[4]](#footnote-4)
4. In accordance with Section 1.16 of the Rules, we direct Minter Field to support their response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by an authorized officer of Minter field, verifying the truth and accuracy of the information therein,[[5]](#footnote-5) and confirming that all of the information requested by this Notice which is in the registrant’s possession, custody, control, or knowledge has been produced. To knowingly and willfully make any false statement or conceal any material fact in reply to this Notice is punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.[[6]](#footnote-6)
5. All replies and documentation sent in response to this Notice should be marked with the File No. and NOV No. specified above, and mailed to the following address:

Federal Communications Commission

Los Angeles Office

18000 Studebaker Rd., # 660

Cerritos, CA 90703

1. This Notice shall be sent to Minter Field at the address of record.
2. The Privacy Act of 1974[[7]](#footnote-7) requires that we advise you that the Commission will use all relevant material information before it, including any information disclosed in your reply, to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure compliance.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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District Director

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1. 47 C.F.R. § 1.89. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(a). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. 47 U.S.C. § 308(b). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. 47 C.F.R. § 1.89(c). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Section 1.16 of the Rules provides that “[a]ny document to be filed with the Federal Communications Commission and which is required by any law, rule or other regulation of the United States to be supported, evidenced, established or proved by a written sworn declaration, verification, certificate, statement, oath or affidavit by the person making the same, may be supported, evidenced, established or proved by the unsworn declaration, certification, verification, or statement in writing of such person . . . . Such declaration shall be subscribed by the declarant as true under penalty of perjury, and dated, in substantially the following form . . . : ‘I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on (date). (Signature)’.” 47 C.F.R. § 1.16. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. 18 U.S.C. § 1001 *et seq. See also* 47 C.F.R. § 1.17. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3). [↑](#footnote-ref-7)