**Before the**

## Federal Communications Commission

## Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of )

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Two Bulls Inc. ) File No**.** EB-FIELDWR-15-00018145

F/V Mana-Loa, No. WDC5190 )

Honolulu, Hawaii ) NOV No. V201532860005

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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

 Released: February 9, 2015

By the Resident Agent, Honolulu 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 Two Bulls Inc. (Two Bulls), owner of the 406 MHz Emergency Indicating Radio Beacon (EPIRB) associated with the fishing vessel Mana-Loa, No. WDC5190, in Honolulu, Hawaii. 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 violation(s) noted herein.[[2]](#footnote-2)
2. On January 16, 2015, an agent of the Enforcement Bureau’s Honolulu Office was contacted by NOAA U.S. Mission Control Center, requesting assistance in locating interference to their 406 MHz Cospas-Sarsat Satellite System. The agent located and inspected the 406 MHz EPIRB associated with the fishing vessel Mana-Loa, located at Pier 17 in the Honolulu Harbor, and observed the following violation:
	* + - 1. 47 C.F.R. § 80.89(a): “Stations must not engage in superfluous radiocommunication.” Transmissions by EPIRBs are intended to be actuated manually or automatically and operated automatically as part of a ship or a survival craft station as a locating aid for survival purposes. The EPIRB mounted on board the fishing vessel Mana-Loa, was transmitting an unmodulated carrier on 406.0275 MHz every 10 seconds.
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 violations and any remedial actions taken. Therefore, Two Bulls must submit a written statement concerning this matter within twenty (20) days of release of this Notice. The response (i) must fully explain each violation, including all relevant surrounding facts and circumstances, (ii) must contain a statement of the specific action(s) taken to correct each violation 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 Two Bulls to support its response to this Notice with an affidavit or declaration under penalty of perjury, signed and dated by Two Bulls, 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 licensee’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

Honolulu Office

POB 971030

Waipahu, Hawaii 96797-1030

1. This Notice shall be sent to Two Bulls Inc. at its 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

Ryan Hagihara

Resident Agent

Honolulu Office

Western Region

Enforcement Bureau

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)