

CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

December 1, 2016

Mr. David T. Parrish
691 Lakeview Street
Estill Springs, TN 37330

Re: **WARNING NOTICE**
Amateur Radio License KI4THY
EB-FIELDNER-16-00023065

Dear Mr. Parrish:

On Tuesday, November 29, 2016, you were heard by staff at the Commission's High Frequency Direction Finding Center (HFDF), using long range direction finding techniques, running a broadcast/radio show while operating on the frequency of 3843 kHz.

On Tuesday, November 29th, you were heard by a Commission employee engaging in a series of attempted telephone contacts in order to get, as you termed it, a "live update" from the North Dakota pipeline protests. Once you made contact, you broadcast an "interview" with a non-amateur via a telephone connection on frequency 3843 kHz. The Commission employee used direction finding equipment and confirmed the transmissions were coming from your location. The employee recorded the transmissions and provided undersigned counsel with recordings of the incident in question. Should you desire a copy of the recording, one will be made available to you.

Your operation as described above is contrary to the basis and purpose of the amateur radio service as set out in Section 97.1 and is a violation of Sections 97.113(b) of the Commission's rules.¹ Section 97.113(b) states that "an amateur station shall not engage in any form of broadcasting . . . nor shall an amateur station engage in any activity related to . . . news gathering." Please be advised that the Commission expects you to abide by its rules.

This letter serves as notice that, if operation of this type reoccurs after receipt of this letter, you could be subject to severe penalties, including license revocation,

¹ See 47 C.F.R. § 97.113(b).

monetary forfeiture (fines),² or a modification proceeding to restrict the frequencies upon which you may operate.

Sincerely,

Laura L. Smith, Esq.
Special Counsel
Spectrum Enforcement Division
Enforcement Bureau

² Fines normally range from \$7,500 to \$10,000.