

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ENFORCEMENT BUREAU REGION TWO

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## NOTICE OF UNLICENSED OPERATION

Case Numbers: EB-FIELDSCR-18-00026582

EB-FIELDSCR-18-00027284

On April 12, 2018, Agents from the Miami Office (Miami Office) of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's or Commission's) Enforcement Bureau (Bureau) confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals on frequency 92.1 MHz were emanating from a commercial property at 715 W. Mowry Dr., Homestead, Florida. On July 8, 2018, Agents confirmed by direction finding techniques that radio signals on frequencies 92.1 MHz and 100.1 MHz were emanating from the same commercial property in Homestead, Florida. Public records list you as the property owner. The Commission's records show that no license was issued for operation of a broadcast station at this location on 92.1 MHz or 100.1 MHz in Homestead, Florida.

Radio stations operating on a range of frequencies, including 92.1 MHz and 100.1 MHz, must be licensed by the FCC pursuant to Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (Act). The only exception to this licensing requirement is for certain transmitters using or operating at a power level that complies with the standards established in Part 15 of the Commission's rules. On April 12, 2018, the field strength of the signal on frequency 92.1 MHz exceeded the maximum permitted level of 250 microvolts per meter ( $\mu$ V/m) at 3 meters for nonlicensed devices. On July 8, 2018, the field strength of the signal on frequencies 92.1 MHz and 100.1 MHz exceeded the maximum permitted level of 250  $\mu$ V/m at 3 meters for non-licensed devices. Thus, these station are operating in violation of Section 301 of the Act. 4

You are hereby warned that operation of radio transmitting equipment without a valid radio station authorization constitutes a violation of the Federal laws cited above and could subject the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 CFR § 73.201.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 301.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 47 CFR §§ 15.1 *et seq*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 301.

operator to severe penalties, including, but not limited to, substantial monetary fines, *in rem* arrest action against the offending radio equipment, and criminal sanctions including imprisonment.<sup>5</sup>

## UNLICENSED OPERATION OF THESE RADIO STATIONS MUST BE DISCONTINUED IMMEDIATELY.

You have ten (10) days from the date of this notice to respond with any evidence that you have authority to operate granted by the FCC. Your response should be sent to the address in the letterhead and reference the listed case and document number. Under the Privacy Act of 1974,<sup>6</sup> we are informing you that the Commission's staff will use all relevant material information before it to determine what, if any, enforcement action is required to ensure your compliance with FCC Rules. This will include any information that you disclose in your reply.

You may contact this office if you have any questions.

Ronald D. Ramage Regional Director Region Two Enforcement Bureau Federal Communications Commission

## Attachments:

Excerpts from the Communications Act of 1934, As Amended Enforcement Bureau, "Inspection Fact Sheet," March 2005

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See 47 U.S.C. §§ 401, 501, 503 and 510.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 5 U.S.C. § 552a(e)(3).