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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senate
520 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Shaheen:

Thank you for your September 15, 2009 letter regarding the status of the investigation into an unlicensed radio station in Boston, Massachusetts, operating on 97.5 MHz and interfering with FM radio station WOKQ, Dover, New Hampshire, which operates on that same frequency.

When the interference first was reported to the Commission's Boston Field Office, FCC agents monitored 97.5 MHz and, using mobile direction finding equipment, determined that the unlicensed operation was located in a building at One Westinghouse Plaza in Hyde Park, Massachusetts. The Boston Office issued Notices of Unlicensed Operation on July 20, 2009, to the building's landlord and to one of the apparent operators of the station. After issuance of the Notices, the station went off the air.

The Boston Office subsequently received a report that the station was back on the air. Agents again monitored 97.5 MHz and determined that the unlicensed station was now operating from a residential home in Dorchester, Massachusetts. Notices of Unlicensed Operation were issued to the homeowner and another apparent station operator on September 3, 2009. The owner of the home reported to agents that, as of September 3, 2009, the station was off the air.

Agents in the Boston Office will follow up as soon as possible to determine whether the station has resumed operations since the apparent cessation of operations on September 3, 2009. Please be assured that this investigation will remain a top priority and all necessary enforcement action will be pursued if the station has in fact resumed operations.

I appreciate your notifying me of your concern about this matter. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julius Genachowski".

Julius Genachowski
Chairman