FCC Enforcement Letters

February 10, 2005

Mr. (names withheld Mrs. (address withheld) Waldorf, MD 20601

Dear Mr. and Mrs. (names withheld):

The Federal Communications Commission notified you by letter dated December 20, 2004, that it has received complaints of harmful radio interference apparently caused by an aquarium light in your residence.

In the December 20 letter, you were advised that this problem, if unresolved, could be a violation of FCC rules and could result in a monetary forfeiture (fine) for each occurrence. The letter explained the responsibility of consumers in regard to radio interference from incidental radiators. Tests with the complainant indicated that the interference from your residence is apparently resulting from one of your three aquarium lights. When that light was turned off, the interference stopped.

You were requested to advise this office within 30 days of what steps you were taking to correct this reported interference problem, but you have not done so. The complainant, a licensed radio operator, reports that the interference continues. In order to avoid enforcement action, please advise this office within 10 days of receipt letter of what action you have taken, or intend to take, in order to correct the source of these radio emissions.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me at 717-338-2502.

CC: FCC District Office, Columbia, MD