

May 22, 2003

Mr. E. Linn Draper, Chairman  
American Electric Power Company  
1 Riverside Plaza  
Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Mr. Draper:

The Federal Communications Commission notified you by letter on November 27, 2002 that it has received complaints of harmful radio interference possibly caused by equipment operated by your company. This interference has been reported by operators in the Amateur Radio Service. The complainants are:

Jerry W Daugherty, W9FS  
1921 Catalpa Ave  
South Bend, IN 46613-1904

James M Kiskis, W8PA  
258 Magnolia Dr  
Gallipolis, OH 45631-1427

William H Hannon, N8PW  
319 21st St NW  
Canton, OH 44709-3911

In this letter, you were advised that this problem, if unresolved, could be a violation of FCC rules and could result in a monetary forfeiture for each occurrence. For this reason, we encouraged the parties involved to voluntarily resolve this matter without FCC intervention. If however it became necessary to facilitate a resolution, the FCC might investigate possible rules violations and address appropriate remedies, including monetary forfeiture.

You were further advised to inform the complainants within 60 days of what steps your utility company would take to correct this reported interference problem. In addition, if unable to resolve this matter within 60 days, you were advised to inform this office about the nature of the problem, the steps being taken to resolve it and the estimated time in which those steps can be accomplished. According to the complainants, the harmful interference they reported to this office remains unresolved. Furthermore, you have neither responded to this office nor the complainants within the specified period of time.

**In order to avoid possible enforcement action, we request that you advise this office within 20 days of receiving this letter of what action you have made, or intend to make, in order to identify and correct the source of these radio emissions if they are being caused by your Power-Company's equipment.**

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

CC: FCC Northeast Regional Director