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Eric Jolliffe  
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**RE: LETTER REGARDING INTERCEPTION OF RADIO TRANSMISSIONS**

Dear Chief Jolliffe,

RadioReference.com was dismayed to learn of the events surrounding Constable Garrett Styles death and subsequent rebroadcast of his last communications by the media. We, like you, were appalled to learn that the news media made a conscious decision to rebroadcast Constable Style's last communications to the general public.

RadioReference.com provides a valuable service to listeners and broadcasters worldwide. In our view, RadioReference.com is not divulging the contents of your department's communications; we are merely providing a broadcast platform that allows individual contributors and listeners access to live and archived public safety communications from around the world, in the same manner that a personal scanner or communications receiver would provide.

Additionally, numerous public safety agencies utilize RadioReference.com as a platform to directly provide their agency's communications to the general public, and as such recognize the positive value of additional community involvement that their official broadcasts provide.

In response to this incident and the letter from Industry Canada sent to us on October 3, 2011, we actively communicated to all of our worldwide feed providers that it is their responsibility to ensure that their broadcast to our platform complies with the laws and regulations in their local jurisdictions. We trust that each of our feed providers have evaluated the legality and suitability of their broadcast before deciding to provide a feed to us.

With this in mind, at this time we do not have any plans to disallow any feeds from our platform unless they violate our content guidelines and feed provider terms of service.

Sincerely,



Lindsay C. Blanton III  
President and Owner