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TO ALL BODIES OF ELDERS IN CANADA

Re: Wireless microphone systems

Dear Brothers:

Many Kingdom Halls throughout Canada are using wireless microphone systems that operate on one of the frequencies between 698-806 MHz, also known as the 700 MHz band. Industry Canada (IC) has allocated the 700 MHz frequency band for use by public emergency services and commercial wireless services. With this being the case, IC has enacted regulations that prohibit the use of wireless microphones that operate in the 700 MHz band. The official deadline for compliance is March 31, 2011. Additional information can be found on the IC Web site at <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf09777.html> or by calling 1-800-328-6189.

We are requesting that congregations using wireless microphones verify the operating frequencies. In some cases, this information can be found on the display of the receiver or with the paperwork that accompanied the devices. It should be noted that some manufacturers are offering rebates for those who purchased products that are affected by these changes. The Web site of the manufacturer should provide information relating to possible rebates. In cases where microphones are not in compliance and cannot be modified, new equipment will need to be purchased. If you need assistance with purchasing new equipment, please contact your Regional Building Committee.

Please note also that wireless microphones must be licensed and are subject to an annual fee. We encourage you to contact your local IC District Office to comply with the licensing. The contact information for your local IC District Office can be obtained at the above-mentioned phone number or is listed on the document *RIC-66 — Addresses and Telephone Numbers of Regional and District Offices* on <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf01742.html>.

Thank you for giving this matter your attention. Please receive an expression of our warm Christian love and greetings.

Your brothers,

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cc: Assembly Hall Committees
Regional Building Committees
Traveling overseers