



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
The Assistant Secretary for Communications
and Information
Washington, D.C. 20230

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Mr. Morton Warnow
19 Main Street, Unit 703
Danbury, CT 06810

Dear Mr. Warnow:

Senator Christopher Dodd asked that the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) respond to your letter regarding the need for a college radio station at Gallaudet University. NTIA administers the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program (PTFP), which provides matching grants for the construction of noncommercial radio stations.

A decision to build a radio station at Gallaudet University remains with school officials. PTFP, however, may be a source of funding for such a project. You can find information about the program on NTIA's web site, www.ntia.doc.gov (follow the links to *Grants* and then to *PTFP*). In the *How to Apply* section of our web pages, you will find the current PTFP Rules, the application form sample equipment lists, and guidelines for applying to PTFP. This material can be downloaded. The *Notice of Availability of Funds* for the FY 2001 grant cycle will be posted on the web site once an official notice is published in the Federal Register. We expect that the deadline for receipt of applications will be in January or February.

If you require printed information about the program or require further assistance from our staff, please do not hesitate to contact PTFP at (202) 482-5802. I hope you will find this information useful.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory L. Rohde".

Gregory L. Rohde

cc: Heidi Sickler
Office of Senator Christopher J. Dodd