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Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In re Applications of)	MM DOCKET NO. 93-41
)	
TRIAD FAMILY NETWORK, INC.)	File No. BPED-910227MD
)	
For a Construction Permit for a)	
New Noncommercial Educational)	
Station on Channel 207C3 at)	
Winston-Salem, North Carolina)	
)	
POSITIVE ALTERNATIVE RADIO, INC.)	File No. BPED-911119MC
)	
For Construction Permit for a)	
New Noncommercial Educational)	
Station on Channel 207A at)	
Asheboro, North Carolina)	

To: Administrative Law Judge
Joseph P. Gonzalez

**MASS MEDIA BUREAU'S CONSOLIDATED COMMENTS IN SUPPORT OF
JOINT PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
AND GRANT OF APPLICATIONS AND PETITIONS
FOR LEAVE TO AMEND**

1. On June 24, 1993, Triad Family Network, Inc ("Triad") and Positive Alternative Radio, Inc. ("Radio") filed a Joint Petition for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Grant of Applications. Simultaneously, Triad and Radio¹ each filed petitions for leave to amend their respective applications. Triad supplemented its petition for leave to amend on July 2, 1993. The Mass Media Bureau submits the following consolidated comments in support of the requested relief.

¹ The June 24, 1993, amendment amends Radio's June 2, 1993, amendment, which has not yet been acted upon by the Presiding Judge.

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2. The Settlement Agreement contemplates grant of the applications of Triad and Radio. This result is facilitated by amendment of the applications to eliminate the prohibited overlap of contours which caused the mutual exclusivity and precluded grant of both applications. The parties have provided declarations of principals which state that the respective applications were not filed for the purpose of entering into or carrying out a settlement agreement. The declarants state that no consideration is to flow, directly or indirectly, to either party as a result of the settlement. They also state that the public interest will be served in that approval of the Settlement Agreement will allow for the construction and operation of FM education radio stations in both Winston-Salem, North Carolina and Asheboro, North Carolina, and that the need for a costly comparative proceeding will be eliminated. Further, there are no Section 307(b) considerations, since both applications will be granted.

3. The Mass Media Bureau, through its engineering staff, has reviewed the amendments, as supplemented, and has concluded that they are in compliance with the Commission's technical rules. The Bureau specifically notes that Triad's July 2, 1993, Supplement, modifying Triad's amendment to indicate that Triad is now applying for a Class A operation, (Channel 207A rather than 207C3), addresses the Bureau's expressed concern. Accordingly, the Bureau supports acceptance of Triad's and Radio's amendments.

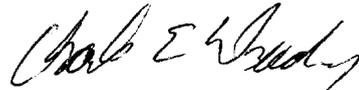
4. The Bureau submits that the Joint Petition satisfies the requirements of Section 73.3525 of the Commission's Rules, which implements Section 311(c)(3) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Specifically, a copy of the Settlement Agreement has been timely filed, and the applicants have established that approval of the Agreement will serve the public interest and that neither application was filed for an improper purpose. Additionally, in the Bureau's view, Radio has demonstrated that summary decision is warranted with respect to the financial and related certification issues which were specified against it by Order, FCC 93M-267, released May 17, 1993.²

5. Based on the foregoing, the Bureau supports grant of the petitions for leave to amend as supplemented, and acceptance of the amendments, grant of the joint petition and approval of the

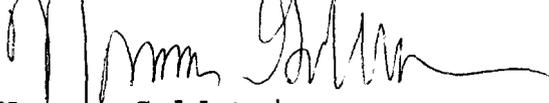
² See Mass Media Bureau's Comments in Support of Motion for Summary Decision, filed June 23, 1993. The Bureau also notes that in its Reply to Opposition to Second Petition to Enlarge Issues Against Positive Alternative Radio, Inc., filed June 24, 1993, Triad acknowledged that, based on its review of Radio's Opposition, Triad's Second Petition may be dismissed or denied. There are no issues pending or outstanding against Triad. Thus, assuming that the Presiding Judge grants Radio's motion for summary decision and denies or dismisses Triad's Second Petition to Enlarge Issues, there are no impediments to grant of both applications.

settlement agreement, grant of the Triad and Radio applications,
as amended, and termination of this proceeding.

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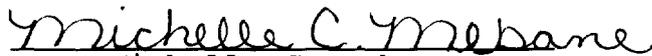
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Michelle C. Mebane, a secretary in the Hearing Branch, Mass Media Bureau, certify that I have, on this 8th day of July 1993, sent by First Class mail, U.S. Government frank, copies of the foregoing **"Mass Media Bureau's Comments in Support of Joint Petition for Approval of Settlement Agreement and Grant of Applications and Petitions for Leave to Amend"** to:

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