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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW,
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Re: DA 13-2224 MB Docket No. 13-249

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Please accept the attached document as Reply Comments pertinent to the Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the Matter of Revitalization of the AM Radio Service. Thank you.

Sincerely,

James B. Potter

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To: The Commission

I. PREFACE

James B. Potter, *et.al.*, (“We” “Our”) welcome the opportunity provided by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” “Commission”) to submit our Reply Comments concerning MB Docket No. 13-249, Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making (“FNPRM”). We take the position that the AM broadcasting service – the historically first and virtually ubiquitous American mass communications medium – should be perpetuated indefinitely albeit with certain changes to the legal and technical bases of station operation.

II. COMMENT IN SUPPORT OF ENG. WIFREDO G. BLANCO-PI

Blanco states: “INCREASING THE SIGNAL of an AM station is the best way to assure the possibility of people tuning an AM station and keeping strong the AM band. It's the way to encourage listeners to tune AM stations. There are two ways to do it: (1) Increasing the main station's power and/or (2) installing AM synchronous boosters “.We strongly support this position as a means to bolster AM station coverage and avoid migration to FM translators, which we regard as anathema to the AM broadcasting service. We have advocated reducing Class A station contour protections in order to achieve power increases advocated above for lower-Class stations.