

**Before The
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC**

In The Matter Of:)	
)	MM Docket 99-25
Creation of a Low Power Radio Service)	RM-9208
)	RM-9242
)	

OPPOSITION

It has come to the attention of REC Networks (“REC”) that Greater Media, Inc. (“Greater”) has filed a request to extend the reply comment period in the above captioned proceeding. We have not seen such a filing in the Electronic Comment Filing System, therefore we assume the extension was requested *ex parte*.

If such a petition or presentation has been made by Greater...

So far, the Commission, at the objection of REC and other proponents of MM Docket 99-25 has already granted two extensions for comment periods in this proceeding.

From our understanding, Greater’s request to extend the reply comment period is based on the possible establishment of further rulemaking for the In-Band On-Channel (“IBOC”) digital broadcasting technology.

REC feels that Greater, as well as the rest of the broadcast industry has had ample time to make their case. So far, we have seen three different technical studies, one from the the incumbent broadcast industry, one from the microradio coalition and a report from the Commission's Office of Engineering and Technlogy. In addition, REC has issued several studies on frequency coordination, service availability and spectrum expansion.

All of the REC documents were timely filed prior to the August 2, 1999 comment deadline.

Based on the information presented in this filing, we find no merit in Greater's request for an extension of the filing deadline. The Commission, on their "LPFM" web page states that this service could be available as early as the last part of the year 2000, REC would love to see a January 1, 2001 deployment date for the LPFM service. The only way we can achieve this is to allow this proceeding to continue as scheduled.

In conclusion, we strongly urge the Commission to **DENY** Greater's petition and leave the filing deadline date unchanged.

Respectfully Submitted.

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