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December 28, 2000

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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Rincon, Puerto Rico
Notice of Proposed Rule Making
MM Docket No. 00-123
RM - 9903

Dear Madam:

Pending before the Commission is the above-referenced rule making which proposes to allot FM Channel 300B to Rincon, Puerto Rico.

This letter is submitted to the Commission as a matter of public interest on behalf of International Broadcasting Corporation ("IBC"), licensee of Station WVOZ, Channel 299B, Carolina, Puerto Rico. It has come to the attention of IBC that the coordinates specified in the Notice of Proposed Rule Making for Channel 300B at Rincon, 18° 23' 06" North Latitude and 67° 29' 51" West Longitude, correspond to Desecheo Island, Puerto Rico, on which is located the Desecheo National Wildlife Refuge.

Submitted with this letter is an exchange of correspondence between Pedro Roman Collazo, President of IBC, and Mr. Val K. Urtan, Project Leader, Caribbean Islands NWR Complex, Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior, which indicates that a request to construct radio facilities on Desecheo Island would not be approved by the Fish and Wildlife Service. In light of the foregoing, IBC respectfully submits that the pending rule

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making to allot Channel 300B to Rincon is a futile exercise, continued pursuit of which is not in the public interest.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard J. Oyster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Counsel for
International Broadcasting
Corporation

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Enclosure

cc: James L. Oyster, Esquire
John A. Karousos
Chief, Allocations Branch
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1590 khz.

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October 30, 2000

Mr. Val Urtan
Director US Fish & Wildlife Service
P.O. Box 510
Boquerón, Puerto Rico

Dear Mr. Urtan:

On July 7, 2000 the Federal Communications Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking considering the allotment of channel 300B to serve Rincón, P.R. with an FM service station 107.9 Mhz. In order to comply with the minimum distance separation requirements with Radio Station WCMN-FM channel 297B Arecibo, P.R. and Radio Station WVOZ-FM channel 299B Carolina, P.R. the petitioner, Ocean Communications, has indicated to the Commission that the transmitter site will be located at 18-23-06 North Latitude and 67-29-51 West Longitude. This coordinates correspond to Desecheo Island.

We would like to verify if the petitioner has applied or has received permit to construct such facilities on Desecheo Island. If indeed a permit has been granted, we would appreciate a copy of the document granting the approval.

Sincerely yours,


Pedro Román Collazo, President
International Broadcasting Corp.



United States Department of the Interior



FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
Caribbean Islands National Wildlife Refuge
P.O. box 510, Carr. 301, Km. 5.1
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December 1, 2000

Mr. Pedro Roman Collazo, President
Cadena Radio WVOZ
Calle Bori #1554
Urbanizacion Caribe
San Juan, PR 00927-6113

Dear Mr. Collazo:

I am in receipt of your letter dated October 30, 2000, regarding Desecheo National Wildlife Refuge. To date, we have had no request for a permit to construct facilities on Desecheo, nor is it likely that we would approve any such request if received. Please give me a call at (787) 851-7258 if you need any additional information on Desecheo or any of the other Caribbean refuges.

Sincerely,

Val K. Urban
Project Leader
Caribbean Islands NWR Complex