

To whom it may concern,

I am an enthusiastic supporter of low power FM stations. I live in a rural area and find that having access to a local low power station is an incredible service. The station I listen to is WPVM out of Asheville, NC. I'm told that a non-local station (WIMZ of Knoxville) is creating a lot of signal interference for WPVM. It seems that existing interference regulations don't account for the unique challenges of our mountain terrain. For that reason, I think that LPFM stations should be allowed to own their own translators. I also want to let you know that I support several of your current positions, namely the call to eliminate third adjacent channel spacing regulations and your goal to increase the number of LPFM stations and to help those stations already running. In a democracy, I think it's important that many venues for information and communication be open. There is nothing wrong with commercial radio, but low power public access radio is just as important and deserves the same breaks that the big boys get.

Thanks for your time,

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