



Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th St. SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Via Electronic Filing

**Re: MM Dkt 99-25 In the Matter of the Creation of a Low Power Radio Service**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached please find the signatures of 190 people — residents of Maryland — in support of two important components of the Federal Communications Commission's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding the future of the Low Power FM (LPFM) service.

In many communities, the demand for stations far exceeds the number of available frequencies. To best serve the diverse needs of local communities, the FCC should adopt rules and policies that maximize the number of LPFM stations that can go on the air. For example, by allowing all stations that will not cause interference to apply for waivers on the second adjacent channel, the number of community radio stations this service can license could more than double.

In addition, the FCC should require new LPFM stations to broadcast a minimum amount of locally originated programming each week. With only so many licenses available in each community — and with many more applicants than available channels — it is crucial that no city or town miss out on this opportunity for real local radio.

Respectfully submitted,

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Candace Clement  
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Cc:  
FCC Chairman Julius Genachowski  
FCC Commissioner Mignon Clyburn  
FCC Commissioner Robert M. McDowell

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