

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

Creation of A Low Power Radio Service )

Docket 99-25

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**OPPOSITION OF PUBLIC MEDIA OF NEW ENGLAND (D/B/A WHAV)  
OF MASSACHUSETTS  
TO THE PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION  
OF LIFE TALK RADIO OF CALIFORNIA**

My name is Timothy Coco. I am President & General Manager of WHAV, operated by non-profit PUBLIC MEDIA OF NEW ENGLAND, INC. in Ward Hill, Massachusetts: a suburb of Boston. I was employed by WHAV, which was an On Air station until it was consolidated in a group of radio stations and its heritage call letters and local programming abandoned in 2002. In 2004, I revived WHAV as an Internet radio station (at [www.whav.net](http://www.whav.net)) -- and I hope to obtain a Low Power FM license for it in this October's LPFM filing window.

As an aspiring LPFM broadcaster in one of America's most distinguished metropolitan areas, WHAV is a proud member of LET THE CITIES IN!!

Like LTCI, REC NETWORKS and others, WHAV vigorously urges the FCC to reject the Petition For Reconsideration that was filed by LIFE TALK RADIO of California.

The Commission has *said*, repeatedly, that it wants to promote broadcast localism. The Commission has also *said*, repeatedly, that it wants to promote the kind of radio station ownership diversity which is likely to flourish under expanded broadcast localism.

If the FCC means what it has *said*, again and again and again, how can it possibly grant a Petition which would, in suburban Boston, place the outpost of a California-based national radio chain at competitive parity with a long-established, fully "homegrown" station like WHAV?

The Commission should not permit a "fig leaf" of token translator station autonomy to erase longstanding, highly visible and essentially solemn commitments of the FCC.

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For the reasons set forth, WHAV urges the Federal Communications Commission to deny the Petition For Reconsideration filed by LIFE TALK RADIO of California.

A copy of this Reply has been sent to Donald E. Martin, P.C., Attorney for LIFE TALK RADIO, at [dempc@prodigy.net](mailto:dempc@prodigy.net)

Respectfully submitted,

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