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My name is Sean Scallon, resident of Pepin County, Wisconsin, and member of its Board of Supervisors. I would like to offer my support for the "Revitalization of AM Radio Service" filing by Brian and Karla Winnekins of WRDN-1430 AM of Durand, Wisconsin, which is the seat of Pepin County.

After going through a serious weather event in August of 2009 in my home village of Arkansaw, it became very clear to me the importance to having a local source of news and information for citizens to turn to in their hour of need. It had been several years since Durand had a radio station and the lack of one added difficulties to the situation, especially those citizens without internet or cable or satellite access to their homes.

Thanks to the hard work and sacrifice of the Winnekins, Brian and Karla, we have a local community radio station in Durand once again. In order to make sure WRDN continues on the air in a small, rural market like Durand, Pepin County and the surrounding region, it is necessary to allow them their requests to increase their power for nighttime broadcasts and to allow them access to an FM translator. I hope the Commission sees the wisdom of this and rules in their favor.