Raydio Inc.

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Federal Communications Commissioners
1919 M Street NW, Room 222
Washington, DC 20554

Attn: File #s RM9208 and RM9242

Dear Venerable Commissioners of the Federal Communications Commission:

Responding to file #s RM9208 and RM9242; proposed rulemaking for Low Power FM Service:

Our company, Raydio Inc. has reviewed most, if not all, of the responses to date regarding the LPFM proposal. It is so heartening to see the numerous responses from small to very small radio entrepreneurs who have a strong emotional bond with their respective markets. In fact, some of the larger corporations have referred in their responses to these Docket 80-90 stations as the equivalent to a Low Power "Menace" of the 80's. That somehow these hard-working citizen broadcasters should have not been allowed similar, yet smaller freedoms that their grandads may have enjoyed. Our overview at Raydio Inc. is that Docket 80-90, as well as high power, small market station owners should be very proud of their community efforts of the heart. Raydio Inc is a company that has formed within the past few years in an effort to acquire a class C station in a small community. Our President and Vice President's experiences range from tiny markets with 7,000 people to mega stations such as WBBM, KDWB and WCCO. We've sincerely felt that we could be the best candidates for this small market CP because of our vast 30-year broadcast background and the fact that we had no other radio properties. Due to the change in the process under the Balanced Budget Act, this small market CP went to auction and was purchased for nearly $1,000,000 by the typical multi-station operator with big bucks. Word is, this operator will be selling all 30 or so of his properties to a single corporation. Raydio Inc. simply wished to operate a successful station and serve a small community with a lifetime of rich radio experience and community involvement.

We at Raydio Inc. promote the idea that many of us in the broadcast field have a wealth of courage, love for the business, dedication and wherewithal to succeed as independent station owners. To many of us, that's all we want and need to serve our needs as broadcasters and the needs of our communities as well. Most of us were not fortunate enough to be born in the 40's where 20 years of hard work may very possibly have resulted in station ownership. Many of us were still struggling during the highly prosperous Docket 80-90 period. So we at Raydio Inc. strongly suggest that if it takes maneuvering and shaping of the guidelines regarding adjacencies, or new spectrum after Channel 6 has left the air in a region, or any other possible combination of changes that could allow hard-working young and older broadcasters to possess a single, low power piece of the dream our grandads had, that couldn't be bad. Go forward and make the suitable changes.

We at Raydio Inc. suggest that none of us little guys lose sight of the fact that the Telecom Act of 1996 has made this wonderful broadcast environment into a bean-counter's playland in too many cases; that you smaller market operators take great pride in your roles as benefactors to the community; and that we keep an open mind to the positive effect new innovation has on the land of opportunity.

Quickly as an addendum to the LPFM proposals, Raydio Inc would like to see a one-owner rule as opposed to the homestead type of restriction, mainly because an individual may want or need to move to another location to begin a LPFM.

Sincerely and Humbly submitted,

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