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Susan Ness
Federal Communications Commission
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Dear Ms. Ness

I am writing this letter to ask for your support of the Federal Communications Commission's recent proposal for the creation of a new class of FM radio service - Low Power FM Service (LPFM).

In recent years, media corporations have become fewer in number, yet control more and more of what every American reads, hears, and sees. They are becoming somewhat like fast-food chains; we receive homogenized information - geared to what will provide profits. It is increasingly rare to receive alternative or minority views or any community-oriented information regarding local events or activities. Low power FM would counter this trend and open up the radio medium to smaller organizations, local voices, and original programming.

On the business side, low power FM would offer lower cost advertising for small local businesses which are increasingly unable to afford air time on large, corporately-owned radio stations. Further, it would offer non-ratings driven formats that would create opportunities for local talent to have a forum for broadcast in music and talk; which could address views and air music significant to the unique culture of the broadcast area. This would be truly important and refreshing since the national media corporations now broadcast a similar product in every market in the United States.

For these reasons, please give your support to FCC Chairman William Kennard in adopting this new class of radio station. Also, please let the Telecommunications Sub-Committee members know that the American people are very eager to see this LPFM Service approved, and once again have a voice on the airwaves in their communities.

Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Barbara J Larter

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