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Subject: Fwd: Re: [PT] LPFM and EAS

Mr. Lucia,

Please reply to kretzer@pittstate.edu if you care to share any input or thoughts on EAS for LPFM.

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My thoughts are those advocating the "Non-participating EAS with exception for sending alerts"

If full requirements must be met, presuming we get a LPFM service, the answer is simply they must all comply, and a mute point. (I wonder how many "Pirate" stations are capable of EAS).

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>The FCC should require, at a minimum, that stations be "non-participating >EAS" which would mean, have receive equipment in place to know when an EAN >is received, and then sign off the air. When the stations leave the air >(if they intend to properly comply) the audience would know to try another >station.

>They could also be exempt from sending tests.

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>If they decode other emergency messages, ie. weather, they could give out >the details as they choose.

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>Anything less and the plan falls apart.

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> At 11:54 AM 4/7/99 -0400, you wrote:  
>>Does anyone have any idea if LPFM will have to have EAS equipment?

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>>LPTV stations do.

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>>This could be a significant expense for them (it was for us).

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>>If they are NOT required, how will the average listner know that the >>station he is listening to will provide him EAS alerts?

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>>If it is NOT important, then how can the FCC ask US to provide that >>service?

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>>Inquiring minds want to know.

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