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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation
In the Matter of Creation of a Low Power Radio Service,
MM Docket No. 99-25

Dear Ms. Salas:

On Friday, June 11,1999, Suren Pai of Lucent Digital Radio, Mary McManus of Lucent Technologies, Philip Verveer of Wilkie, Farr & Gallagher, and the undersigned met with Chairman Kennard; his Senior Legal Advisor, Thomas Power; and Robert Ratcliffe, Deputy Chief, and Keith Larson, Assistant Chief, of the Mass Media Bureau.

Lucent discussed matters related to implementing in-band on-channel (IBOC) digital broadcasting and stated that it expects its digital IBOC systems to be developed and field tested by the end of 1999; and that in conjunction with this testing, it is studying the Commission's low power FM proposals in this Docket to determine whether they may affect the future transition of broadcasting from analog to digital. The Commission's announced intention to issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to address rules for governing AM and FM digital broadcasting is a welcome development and will accelerate the IBOC testing necessary to produce reliable detailed technical information about the competing digital systems.

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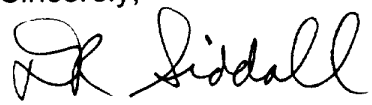
Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this letter are being filed in the above-referenced proceeding. Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,



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cc: Chairman Kennard
Thomas Power
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