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Mr. William Kennard, Chair
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

Dear Mr. Kennard and members of the Commission:

I am writing to voice my support for LPFM, docket number 99-25. I am thrilled that the comment period has been extended to allow more input. I am more eagerly looking forward to a ruling by the FCC to allow construction of low power FM stations.

I have worked in commercial radio and hold a General Radio Telephone License. (formerly First Class). I am familiar with exacting tolerances to be maintained at a radio station. I thoroughly believe in MOST areas of the United States quite a number of low power FM's could be constructed without interferring with any existing services.

I strongly feel any and all opposition to this concept is a result of BIG BUSINESS. They will not be eager to give up a share of the revenues that an LPFM might garner in a commercial venture. At present it is virtually impossible for a "common person" to get into the commercial radio business. The auction system used by the FCC is terribly unfair to someone not independently wealthy.

This LPFM idea opens up a virtually limitless frontier for people across the nation to enter into their dream of broadcasting, be it special events, educational, or a commercial endeavor.

Having made my point in favor of this I move on to the "DOWN" side....

I really can't think of one!! There will be, I'm sure, more work in each FCC field office to insure proper enforcement of FCC rules & regs. I feel it would be up to the FCC to be sure that all new radio stations would adhere to proper standards practices that the Commission would think appropriate.

In my particular case my hometown of Minneapolis, KS has an FM licensed to it, but it has been "moved" to Salina, KS. (about 20 mi. south). As far as I'm concerned, the station doesn't fulfill their obligation to serve the community of license. LPFM would open the door for a station to truly serve the best interests of the community. I am sure my community is not the only one in the US that this has happened to, and now you as Commissioners have the opportunity to improve the commercial radio service by adding LPFM stations and responsibly regulating them.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Respectfully,



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