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To Whom It May Concern:

I support our community radio station KPIE-LP. The area I live in is very rural and our radio reception is rather limited because of the mountains. We have a local low power fm station that we can hear from Dallas. This station is very important to us in this area because they keep us informed of news, events and weather here in the Dallas area. Unfortunately, because of another station on the same frequency the reception is very bad in many areas and many of my friends also have the same problem. We support KPIE-LP because they are local and because they care about us. The other station is a long ways away in Portland and have very dirty programming which sometimes cuts our station completely out and all we can hear is the filthy garbage they say.

I have called KPIE and they said if they could change their frequency as they have been trying to do, it would eliminate this problem. I visited the station and they showed me a copy of the MITRE report and it's conclusions and recommendations. They said if Congress would remove the restriction that they put on the FCC, KPIE could move to a clear frequency.

I would like to add my support for that report and ask that someone help our local station so we may all benefit from KPIE as some of us have been able to do. Please recommend to Congress that they respect that report and allow the FCC to remove that rule as they originally did.

Sincerely,  
John R. Smith