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FCC ANNOUNCES LOW POWER FM FORUM TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 8, 2005

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will host a Low Power FM Forum focusing on the experiences of low power FM licensees getting on the air, staying on the air, and meeting local needs and on issues affecting the future of low power FM. The morning event will be open to the public, and no advance reservation or registration is required.

Date and Time:	February 8, 2005 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Location:	Federal Communications Commission Commission Meeting Room 445 12 th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

The Low Power FM (LPFM) radio service was created by the Commission in 2000. Stations operate with an effective radiated power (ERP) of 1000 watts (0.1 kilowatts) or less and cover a range of about 5.6 kilometers or 3.5 miles. LPFM stations are available to noncommercial educational entities and public safety and transportation organizations, but are not available to individuals or for commercial operations. Speakers will be LPFM operators. At the conclusion of the forum, representatives from LPFM stations in the audience will be invited to comment briefly about their stations or issues they see affecting the future of LPFM. *A preliminary agenda of the event is attached*. LPFM operators may bring information about their stations for display in the Commission Meeting Room during the forum.

Webcast and Video

Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live over the Internet from the FCC's Audio/Video Events web page at <u>www.fcc.gov/realaudio</u>.

Reasonable Accommodations

Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need including as much detail as you can. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Make your request as early as possible; please allow at least 5 days advance notice. Last minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill. Send an e-mail to <u>fcc504@fcc.gov</u> or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty)

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Low Power FM Forum

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC

Tuesday, February 8, 2005

Preliminary Agenda

9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.	Welcome FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell FCC Commissioners
9:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Panel: LPFM Meeting local needs
11:15 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.	Panel: Issues affecting the future of LPFM
12:05 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.	Comments from LPFM providers in the audience
12:20 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Closing Remarks W. Kenneth Ferree, Chief, Media Bureau