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

This Public Notice advises interested parties of the agenda for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC)'s Low Power FM Forum, which will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC, on February 8, 2005. The morning event will be open to the public, and no advance reservation or registration is required.

The Low Power FM (LPFM) radio service was created by the Commission in 2000. Stations operate with an effective radiated power (ERP) of 100 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. LPFM operators may bring information about their stations for display in the Commission Meeting Room during the forum.

AGENDA – February 8, 2005

9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. Welcome

o FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell

o FCC Commissioners

9:50 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Panel: LPFM -- Meeting Local Needs

Moderator: Stephen Svab, Audio Division, FCC **Panelists:**

- o **Lucas Benitez**, Broadcaster, WCIW-LP, Immokalee, FL, Interfaith Action of Southwest Florida, Inc.
- Paul A. Billings, General Manager, WUVS-LP, Muskegon, MI, Founder, The West Michigan Community Help Network
- Marc Jones, Manager, Broadcast Operations, WMVK-LP, Perryville, MD, State of Maryland, MDOT, Maryland Transit Administration

- Michael Murphy, Faculty Advisor, and George Benson, Student General Manager, WMLZ-LP, Temperance, MI, Bedford Public Schools
- Douglas J. Neatrour, WOMA-LP, Lebanon, PA, Executive Director, Latino American Media Organization of Pennsylvania, Inc.
- Michael Shay, Project Manager, WRYR-LP, Sherwood, MD, Vice President, South Arundel Citizens for Responsible Development

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:05 p.m. Panel: Issues Affecting LPFM

Moderator: Natalie Roisman, Policy Division, FCC **Panelists:**

- o **Dr. Jon A. Gerbracht**, WEES-LP, Ocean City, MD, Treasurer, Edinboro Early School, Inc.
- Marianne Knorzer, Station Manager, KRBS-LP, Oroville, CA, Board Member, Bird Street Media Project
- o **Harold Kozlowski**, WCNH-LP, Concord, NH, President, Highland Community Broadcasting
- o Chris Lash, WFSJ-LP, Indiana, PA, President, Godstock Ministries
- o **Sakura Saunders**, Programming Committee Member and Journalist, KDRT-LP, Davis, CA, Davis Community Television

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
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W. Kenneth Ferree, Chief, Media Bureau

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 www.fcc.gov/realaudio.

Reasonable Accommodations

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