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MEDIA BUREAU SUSPENDS DISMISSAL OF FM TRANSLATOR APPLICATIONS RELATED TO PROCESSING CAP (MM Docket No. 99-25)

On March 4, 2008, the Media Bureau ("Bureau") released a Public Notice inviting Auction No. 83 applicants to identify pending short-form applications for voluntarily dismissal to effectuate the tenapplication limit set forth in the *Creation of a Low Power Radio Service*, Third Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("*Third Report and Order*"). Dismissal requests were due April 3, 2008, the 30th day from the date of release of the Public Notice. Five petitions for reconsideration of the *Third Report and Order* have been filed; four of these petitions object to the tenapplication limit.²

By this Public Notice, the Bureau announces that it will cease dismissal of any short-form applications pursuant to this processing cap, in order to provide an opportunity for the Commission to fully consider arguments raised in the LPFM petitions for reconsideration. In accordance with the Commission's directions in the *Third Report and Order*, the Bureau will continue to process the applications of any applicant with ten or fewer applications on file as of March 4, 2008. Pending the review of the reconsideration petitions, the Bureau will reinstate any translator applications dismissed pursuant to the March 4th Public Notice.

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By: Chief, Media Bureau

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¹ See Creation of a Low Power Service, Third Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 22 FCC Rcd 21912 (2007) ("Third Report and Order").

² See Petition for Reconsideration of CSN International, filed Feb. 4, 2008; Petition of National Religious Broadcasters for Reconsideration Regarding Order Imposing Cap on Translator Applications, filed Feb. 15, 2008; Petition for Reconsideration of Positive Alternative Radio, Inc., filed Feb. 19, 2008; Petition for Reconsideration of Education Media Foundation *et al.*, filed Feb. 19, 2008.