## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



May 8, 2012

The Honorable Bob Filner U.S. House of Representatives 333 F Street Suite A Chula Vista, California 91910

Dear Congressman Filner:

Thank you for your letter concerning the application of Activist San Diego (ASD) filed with the Commission to construct a new noncommercial educational FM station in Ramona, California. I appreciate your bringing this matter to my attention and directed the Chief of the Media Bureau's Office of Communications and Industry Information to provide you with a status update on the matter. I am pleased to provide the enclosed correspondence discussing the same.

If you have any additional questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Julius Genachowski

Enclosure



## Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Congressman Filner:

Thank you for your letter on behalf of Activist San Diego (ASD) regarding the application ASD filed with the Federal Communications Commission to construct a new noncommercial educational FM station in Ramona, California. I appreciate the opportunity to provide an update on the status of the ASD application.

ASD filed the subject application in October 2007. Following a review of ASD's proposal, the Commission's Audio Division dismissed the application because the proposed facility would not provide adequate community coverage to Ramona and because it failed to protect a Mexican broadcast station from interference, in violation of a bilateral agreement with the Mexican government. Commission rules provide applicants an opportunity to address defects in an application and ASD amended its proposal by increasing the effective radiated power and modifying the antenna pattern. The Audio Division found that the antenna pattern proposed in ASD's amended application exceeded the maximum to minimum power requirements for directional antennas and dismissed the application on March 30, 2011.

On May 9, 2011, ASD filed an Application for Review of the Audio Division's decision with the Commission. Staff currently is reviewing the complete record developed in this proceeding and it is anticipated that the Media Bureau will provide its recommendation to the Commission in the third quarter of 2012.

I hope that this information is helpful. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Michael S. Perko

Chief, Office of Communications and

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