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WASHINGTON

November 13, 2018

The Honorable William Keating
U.S. House of Representatives
2351 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Keating:

Thank you for your letter in support of local, independent radio stations—like WJFD-FM—that provide excellent service to numerous communities in the United States. I agree with you that a vibrant broadcasting ecosystem is vital for the American people and that broadcasters serve a diverse set of communities that might not otherwise be served.

You express concerns with the Commission's pending rulemaking on FM translator inference rules, which asks about a variety of proposals intended to streamline the current interference complaint resolution process. It is my hope that these proposed changes, if adopted, could limit disputes and speed resolution of complaints from full-power stations while providing additional flexibility and certainty for FM translator stations. You note your concern that in a more populous area, like New England, restricting interference complaints beyond the 54 dB μ contour may impact the reach of stations like WJFD-FM. I understand that WJFD-FM has filed comments in this proceeding, including about what contour, if any, should be used to safeguard the technical integrity of the FM band. I can assure you that Commission staff will be reviewing these and other comments thoroughly before we move forward in this rulemaking.

Your views are important and will be entered into the record of the proceeding. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Ajit V. Pai



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