

Dissenting Statement of Commissioner Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth

In the Matter of Creation of Low Power Radio Service, MM Docket No. 99-25, Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration

For the reasons given in my dissent from the original Report and Order on low power radio,¹ I dissent from this Order on Reconsideration. This Order reaffirms the Commission's threshold decision to create the service and remove existing adjacent channel protections, and I disagree strongly with that course of action.

In addition, I note that the Commission continues to forge relentlessly ahead on this issue, notwithstanding the expression of substantial Congressional disapproval of its approach to the creation of this service and the serious interference questions for existing broadcasters and their listeners that remain unresolved to this day. A higher regard for Congress, and for those broadcasters who today serve their communities ably and well, would counsel a more serious reconsideration of this issue than that performed today.

¹ See Dissenting Statement of Commissioner Harold W. Furchtgott-Roth, *In the Matter of Low Power Radio Service*, Report & Order, MM Docket No. 99-25, 15 FCC Rcd. 2205 (2000).