

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI**

Re: *Expansion of Online Public File Obligations to Cable and Satellite TV Operators and Broadcast and Satellite Radio Licensees*, MB Docket No. 14-127.

I am pleased to support this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. The Commission must modernize its rules to reflect the digital age in which we live, and moving more regulated entities' public files online is a step in the right direction. I also appreciate the incorporation of many of my suggestions for reducing regulatory burdens as a part of this effort.

Going forward, I intend to pay particular attention to the feedback we receive from small radio stations. For example, last year I visited KZPA, a radio station in remote Fort Yukon, Alaska (population: 583), eight miles north of the Arctic Circle. KZPA devotes its extremely limited resources to serving the local Alaska Native Gwich'in population. We should be sensitive to the fact that KZPA and many other stations like it just don't have the bodies and bandwidth to handle every regulatory requirement Washington might conjure. The FCC should do what it can to revitalize such stations, particularly struggling stations in the AM band, not add to their difficulties. I hope the Commission will embrace this spirit as we move forward in this proceeding.