

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER AJIT PAI**

Re: *LPFM MX Group 304 et al.*, File Nos. BNPL-20131112BWB et al.

Since 2012, I have been urging the Commission to resolve applications for review (AFRs) more quickly. I was therefore pleased that my office was able to work closely with Diane Cornell in the Office of Chairman Wheeler to develop a new “rocket docket” procedure for handling AFRs. With this new tool, the Commission in appropriate cases can rule on AFRs in approximately three-and-a-half months—far quicker than the norm.

This item was the test run of the rocket docket and is an excellent example of how the process can work. Today, the Commission finishes its consideration of an AFR that was filed on August 17, just three-and-a-half months ago. In the future, I hope that we will make greater use of the AFR rocket docket procedure so the Commission’s business is done more efficiently and expeditiously.