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Federal Communications Commission
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TO:

Brendan Carr, Chairman
Anna Gomez, Commissioner
Olivia Trusty, Commissioner
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Dear Chairman Carr, Commissioner Gomez, Commissioner Trusty, and Media Bureau Staff,

My name is **[YOUR NAME]**, **[YOUR TITLE]** of **[STATION CALL LETTERS AND/OR ORGANIZATION NAME]**(**[ABBREVIATION]**), a **[brief description — e.g., student-run NCE FM radio station licensed to [UNIVERSITY NAME] in [CITY, STATE]]**. We are writing in support of the comments submitted by College Broadcasters, Inc. (CBI) regarding the Commission’s announced filing window for new NCE reserved band FM translator stations.

We welcome the Commission’s decision to open the first-ever filing window for new NCE reserved band FM translator stations. **[STATION CALL LETTERS]** operates with a limited broadcast footprint, and expanded coverage through a translator would meaningfully serve our campus community and the surrounding public. However, we are deeply concerned that the announced August 11–25, 2026 filing window — with a freeze commencing July 10, 2026 — falls during summer recess, a period when our institution is least equipped to respond.

At **[UNIVERSITY/SCHOOL NAME]**, filing an FCC application is not a decision our station can make unilaterally. The process requires **[describe your institutional requirements — e.g., approval from the Office of the Provost, engagement of a licensed broadcast engineer, review by University Legal Counsel, and sign-off from [DEPARTMENT/OFFICE]]**. During the summer months, **[describe summer challenges — e.g., key administrators are on reduced schedules, our station operates with a skeleton student crew, and officials with signing authority are largely unavailable]**. This process routinely takes **[X weeks / several months]**, and the summer window does not allow sufficient time to complete it.

[OPTIONAL — Add any additional station-specific context here, such as your coverage limitations, how a translator would serve your community, geographic or demographic area served, or unique barriers your institution faces in summer. Delete this paragraph if not used.]

We strongly support CBI's requests that the Commission: (1) reschedule the NCE reserved band FM translator filing window to November 2026 through February 2027, consistent with the Commission's own historical practice for NCE and LPFM windows; and (2) issue direct notification to all NCE FM and LPFM licensees so that educational institutions are not the last to learn of an opportunity specifically reserved for their benefit.

The NCE reserved band exists to serve educational institutions like ours. A filing window that falls when we cannot meaningfully participate does not fulfill that mandate. We urge the Commission to reschedule this window to a time that allows educational licensees a fair and full opportunity to apply.

Respectfully submitted,

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