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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

(Rule 13d-101)

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AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a)**

(Amendment No. 9)¹

Emerson Radio Corp.
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
291087203
(CUSIP Number)

Lloyd I. Miller, III, 222 Lakeview Avenue, Suite 160-365,
West Palm Beach, Florida, 33401 (Tel.) (561) 287-5399
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)
July 7, 2014
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

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Lloyd I. Miller, III

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)

2

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*
PF-AF-OO

CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
United States

NUMBER OF SHARES **7 SOLE VOTING POWER**
1,784,842

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER
50,778

OWNED BY

EACH

9

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
1,784,842

REPORTING

PERSON

10

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
50,778

WITH

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
1,835,620

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
6.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*
IN-OO

SCHEDULE 13D/A9

This constitutes Amendment No. 9 to the statement on Schedule 13D (the "Amendment No. 9") filed on behalf of Lloyd I. Miller, III ("Mr. Miller" or the "Reporting Person"), dated and filed May 22, 2012 (the "Statement"), relating to the common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "Common Stock"), of Emerson Radio Corp. (the "Company"). The Company's principal executive offices are located at 3 University Plaza, Suite 405, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601. Unless specifically amended or modified hereby, the disclosure set forth in the Statement shall remain unchanged.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

Item 3 of the Statement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

Mr. Miller is the managing member of Milfam LLC ("Milfam LLC"), an Ohio limited liability company established pursuant to the Operating Agreement of Milfam LLC dated as of December 10, 1996, and Milfam LLC is the advisor to Trust A-3 ("Trust A-3"), Trust A-4 ("Trust A-4") and Trust C ("Trust C" and, collectively with Trust A-3, and Trust A-4, the "Trusts"). The Trusts and Trust D were created pursuant to an Amended and Restated Trust Agreement, dated September 20, 1983 (the "Trust Agreement"). Mr. Miller is the investment advisor to the trustee of Trust D. Pursuant to a Declaratory Judgment Order, entered on November 20, 1992 in the Court of Common Pleas, Probate Division, Hamilton County, Ohio, Trust A was split into four separate trusts, two of which are Trust A-3 and Trust A-4. The Trusts were further reformed by Order of the Delaware Chancery Court dated December 29, 2010 pursuant to which Milfam LLC was appointed advisor to the Trusts. All of the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust A-3 were purchased with funds generated and held by Trust A-3. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust A-3 was approximately \$332,447.00. All of the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust A-4 were purchased with funds generated and held by Trust A-4. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust A-4 was approximately \$384,900.00. All of the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust C were purchased with funds generated and held by Trust C. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust C was approximately \$526,036.00. All of the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust D were purchased with funds generated and held by Trust D. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Trust D was approximately \$43,255.00.

Milfam LLC is the general partner of Milfam II L.P. ("Milfam II"), a Georgia limited partnership established pursuant to a partnership agreement for Milfam II L.P., dated December 11, 1996. All of the shares of Common Stock Mr. Miller is deemed to beneficially own as the managing member of the general partner of Milfam II were purchased with money contributed to Milfam II by its partners or money generated and held by Milfam II. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Milfam II was approximately \$970,512.00.

All of the shares of Common Stock purchased by Mr. Miller on his own behalf were purchased with personal funds generated and held by Mr. Miller. The purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by Mr. Miller on his

own behalf was approximately \$12,038.00.

Mr. Miller is the manager of LIMFAM LLC (f/k/a Milfam NG LLC) ("LIMFAM LLC"), a Delaware limited liability company. All of the shares of Common Stock Mr. Miller is deemed to beneficially own as the manager for LIMFAM LLC were purchased with funds generated and held by LIMFAM LLC. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock Mr. Miller is deemed to beneficially own as manager of LIMFAM LLC was approximately \$250,885.00.

Pursuant to an Irrevocable Trust Agreement MILGRAT (C9) ("MILGRAT (C9)"), dated as of January 18, 2013, Mr. Miller was named as the trustee to MILGRAT (C9). All of the shares of Common Stock Mr. Miller is deemed to beneficially own as trustee of MILGRAT (C9) were contributed to MILGRAT (C9) by its grantor, Catherine C. Miller.

Pursuant to an Irrevocable Trust Agreement MILGRAT (J9) ("MILGRAT (J9)"), dated as of May 6, 2013, Mr. Miller was named as the trustee to MILGRAT (J9). All of the shares of Common Stock Mr. Miller is deemed to beneficially own as trustee of MILGRAT (J9) were contributed to MILGRAT (J9) by its grantor, Catherine C. Miller.

Mr. Miller is the settlor of an individual retirement trust account (the "IRA"). All of the shares of Common Stock held by the IRA were purchased with personal funds generated and contributed to the IRA by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller shares investment and dispositive power with a family member over Shares held by a certain Custodian Managed Account established pursuant to a certain PNC Advisors Custody Agreement dated as of December 9, 2003 (the "Custody Account"). All of the Shares held by the Custody Account were purchased with funds generated and held by the Custody Account. The aggregate purchase price for the shares of Common Stock purchased by the Custody Account was approximately \$9,873.00.

The aggregate purchase prices set forth in this Item 3 include brokerage commissions and reflect certain cost basis adjustments.

Item 4. Purpose of the Transaction

Item 4 of the Statement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

The Shares covered by this Schedule 13D were acquired by Mr. Miller for investment purposes in the ordinary course of his business as an investor.

As a matter of urgency, Mr. Miller believes that the Board of Directors of Emerson should pursue a sale of the Company. Mr. Miller believes that Emerson stockholders face continuing uncertainty as a result of the ongoing restructuring of Emerson's controlling stockholder, The Grande Holdings Limited (Provisional Liquidators Appointed).

Mr. Miller believes that the rights of minority stockholders continue to be compromised by uncertainties over the control block of shares held by Grande Holdings. **Most importantly, Mr. Miller believes that the Board should return value to stockholders rather than maintain excessive cash balances, especially while control of the Company is in question.**

Mr. Miller has closely reviewed Emerson's Form 10-K and the Schedule 13D amendments recently filed by a subsidiary of Emerson's controlling stockholder. Based on these filings he has urgent questions that he directs to the Board of Directors.

Why are administrative costs of Emerson's Special Committee more than \$1 million? According to the Form 10-K, Emerson's 2014 selling, general and administrative expenses included approximately \$1.2 million in legal and advisory fees pertaining to the setup of and work performed for the Special Committee of the Company's Board of Directors. **Where is the value returned to public stockholders?**

What is Emerson’s tax liability associated with its controlling stockholder? Emerson may be contingently liable for \$4.7 million in taxes resulting from the dividend it paid in March 2010. Now the ability of the Company to enforce its rights to indemnification and collect taxes from its controlling stockholder may be severely impaired “because Grande is currently in liquidation.” It appears that the Board released shares of Emerson common stock held as collateral for the tax dividend to Grande, and effectively delivered control of Emerson back to Grande. **Is the Board perpetuating Grande’s control at the expense of Emerson’s public stockholders?**

Emerson stockholders continue to incur litigation costs associated with Grande. Emerson paid to settle claims that the Company was an “alter ego” of Grande and part of a “single enterprise” controlled by the Chairman of Grande, Christopher Ho. Emerson is investigating its ability to pursue claims against Mr. Ho and other co-defendants. **Based on Emerson’s disclosures, it appears that Emerson’s settlement costs and legal fees associated with this litigation (at least \$7 million) relate entirely to Grande’s role as controlling stockholder.**

What protections are provided to Emerson public stockholders if Grande receives approval to be listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange? According to Emerson’s Form 10-K, Grande’s restructuring requires various approvals, including approval from the HKSE. **Emerson’s Board should take an active role in connection with Grande’s listing application and restructuring.**

Is Emerson at risk from conflicts of interests of its two directors who are associated with Grande and its provisional liquidators? The Form 10-K discloses conflicts of interest of two Emerson insiders who also act on behalf of Grande—Mr. Vincent Fok, the Company’s Chairman and a provisional liquidator of Grande, and Mr. Duncan Hon, the CEO and a director of Emerson, who is also an officer of Grande subsidiaries. The Form 10-K states that Emerson has established “adequate procedures” designed to “ensure” that related party transactions are fair to the Company. **New auditing rules will require more detailed disclosures about related party transactions, which can be subject to increased stockholder scrutiny.**

Why does Grande plan to retain a control block in Emerson after restructuring? As indicated in the Schedule 13D/A filed July 9, 2014 by S&T International Distribution Limited, a subsidiary of Grande, control of Emerson remains uncertain. It is anticipated that the Emerson shares would remain a part of Grande after its re-listing on the HKSE. Mr. Miller believes that a sale of Emerson is in the best interests of Grande as well as Emerson, and would provide liquidity for Grande and its creditors during the restructuring. **Mr. Miller believes that the obligations of Emerson as a U.S. public company can be best served by a sale of the company.**

As a long-term investor, Mr. Miller believes that each member of the Board has a duty to minority public stockholders, including directors affiliated with FTI Consulting (Hong Kong) Limited, Joint and Several Provisional Liquidators over Grande Holdings. Emerson has a long history of related party transactions and accounting failures, as well as currently outstanding litigation and tax disputes that created risks to shareholder value, many of them related to Grande and its affiliates.

In view of prior lawsuits against Emerson insiders in conflict of interest transactions, Mr. Miller believes that further litigation might result if Grande remains in control of Emerson. Mr. Miller will continue to scrutinize all transactions that affect Emerson common stock and its trading value. He is concerned about recent declines in Emerson's stock price.

In the Schedule 13D and prior amendments, Mr. Miller has urged governance reforms at Emerson, especially with respect to internal controls and ongoing related party transactions with Grande Holdings. In addition, Mr. Miller has communicated with the Board of Directors of Emerson to urge them to enhance shareholder value, including through cash dividends and a sale of the Company to resolve uncertainties over the bankruptcy and restructuring of Grande Holdings, the Company's controlling shareholder.

In addition, on July 7, 2014, a material change occurred in the percentage of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller.

Mr. Miller may consider purchases and sales of shares of Emerson on the open market or in other transactions, including with the Provisional Liquidators of Grande.

Except in connection with the matters described in this Item 4 and as contemplated herein, Mr. Miller does not currently have any specific plans or proposals that relate to or would result in any of the actions or events specified in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D. Mr. Miller reserves the right to change plans and take any and all actions that Mr. Miller may deem appropriate to maximize the value of his investment, including, among other things, purchasing or otherwise acquiring additional securities of the Company, selling or otherwise disposing of any securities of the Company beneficially owned by him, in each case in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions or formulating other plans or proposals regarding the Company or its securities to the extent deemed advisable by Mr. Miller in light of his general investment policies, market conditions, subsequent developments affecting the Company and the general business and future prospects of the Company. Mr. Miller may take any other action with respect to the Company or any of the Company's debt or equity securities in any manner permitted by applicable law.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Item 5 of the Statement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

(a) Mr. Miller may be deemed to beneficially own 1,835,620 shares of Common Stock, which is equal to approximately 6.8% of the outstanding shares, based on 27,129,832 shares of Common Stock outstanding, as reported in the Issuer's Form 10-K filed on June 25, 2014. As of the date hereof, 206,489 of the shares of Common Stock

beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by Trust A-3, 232,889 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by Trust A-4, 318,059 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by Trust C, 44,500 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by Trust D, 481,537 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by Milfam II, 142,938 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by LIMFAM LLC, 144,942 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by MILGRAT (C9), 241,876 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by MILGRAT (J9), 1,194 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by the IRA, 6,278 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned of record by the Custody Account, and 14,918 of the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Mr. Miller are owned by Mr. Miller directly.

(b) Mr. Miller may be deemed to have sole voting and dispositive power for all such shares held of record by Trust A-3, Trust A-4, Trust C. MILGRAT (C9), MILGRAT (J9), the IRA, Milfam II, LIMFAM LLC and Mr. Miller directly. Mr. Miller may be deemed to have shared voting and dispositive power for all such shares held of record by Trust D and the Custody Account.

(c) The following table details the transactions effected by Mr. Miller in the past 60 days.

Milfam II

Date of Transaction	Number of Shares Sold	Price Per Share
June 27, 2014	100,000	\$1.7501
July 11, 2014	17,765	\$1.65

LIMFAM LLC

Date of Transaction	Number of Shares Sold	Price Per Share
May 28, 2014	5,840	\$1.94
June 2, 2014	3,700	\$1.8000297
June 3, 2014	28,567	\$1.8045
June 4, 2014	3,151	\$1.8146
June 5, 2014	7,000	\$1.80
June 6, 2014	1,300	\$1.800777
June 9, 2014	2,000	\$1.80
June 17, 2014	3,100	\$1.79
June 18, 2014	900	\$1.775
June 19, 2014	800	\$1.77
June 23, 2014	100	\$1.77
June 24, 2014	5,700	\$1.77
June 25, 2014	100	\$1.77
June 27, 2014	1,955	\$1.80
June 30, 2014	10,491	\$1.7964
July 1, 2014	5,060	\$1.7965
July 2, 2014	6,039	\$1.7901
July 3, 2014	1,300	\$1.78423
July 7, 2014	2,447	\$1.7804
July 11, 2014	4,783	\$1.7636023

(d) Persons other than Mr. Miller have the right to receive and the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the reported securities.

(e) Not Applicable.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: July 15, 2014

By: /s/ Lloyd I. Miller, III
Lloyd I. Miller, III