

Independents line up behind Apple Music

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Several independent music label groups, including those representing Adele, Arcade Fire and Radiohead, say they can now support Apple Music after Apple reversed a decision not to pay royalties during the 90-day free trial period and adjusted other terms.

The streaming service, set to launch Tuesday, had drawn the ire of Taylor Swift and other indie artists, who were preparing to withhold releases because of the royalty-free trial.

Martin Mills, chairman of Adele's Beggars Group, said in a statement Wednesday he was happy to endorse the current deal. Adele's new album "25" is due out later this year.

It remains to be seen how much new [music](#) comes to the service, although Pharrell tweeted on Tuesday a teaser video to his single "Freedom" with the tagline "Only on (Apple) Music."

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