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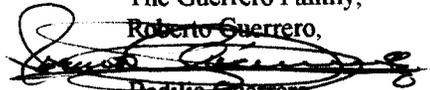
Roberto O. Guerrero
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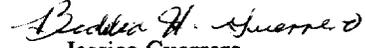
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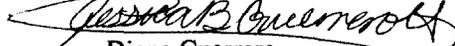
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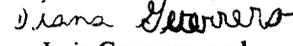
I am writing to you today to say how I feel about the subject concerning Michael G. I am also writing for the Hispanic community that feels as I do. To my knowledge Michael wants to have a license to be able to have a Spanish radio station, witch was not granted to him. I feel that the Hispanic community needs a radio station where the celebrity broadcaster is friendly, knows what he is doing, and is concerned about the people. I feel that Michael is all of this and more. But having a radio station is not just because of this. It gives the people a chance to lesson as well as talk about subjects concerning were they come from. I feel that it was a wrong doing for not giving him the opportunity to be on the air and to serve the Hispanic community. I feel that everybody should be given the opportunity to serve its community in every way possible. I wish that you could reconsider in giving him the chance to bring the community closer regardless of its background. Something that you may not be aware of is that Hispanic people are not the only ones who lessen to his station. Kansas City is made up of different cultures and a large part of it is Hispanic that is why I feel that we should have a station that we can lesson to 24 hours. a day. Like people say, the United States is a big melting pot and everyone should be treated equally.

Yours Truly,
The Guerrero Family,
Roberto Guerrero,


Roberto Guerrero,

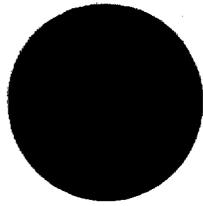

Jessica Guerrero,


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Luis Guerrero, and
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To the FCC Commissioners

Reply comments to file numbers RM 9208 and RM 9242

Please put WRDN down as being opposed to the allowance of low power station to begin broadcast operations in any communities. There is one aspect of radio listeners that will be denied the voices they rely on for their daily COMPANIONSHIP. Hundreds of shut ins and elderly people with limited access to getting out and away from their homes rely very heavily on their local radio announcers to be the freindly voice in their homes and in their lives. With low power stations causing interference, that freindly voice may not be able to be heard. That voice has immeasurable value to hundreds of senior citizens in homes and nursing homes all over America. Say no to the low power "pirates" and yes to radios important role of companionship.

Sincerely

Gene Kirchner
General Manager
WRDN Radio
Durand Wi 54736

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Heaven Radio Network (HRN)
 Galaxy 1, Transponder 17

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RE: FCC File nos. RM-9208 and RM-9242

Please place us on record as being against the proliferation of
 low-power radio stations. We oppose this.

Sincerely,

Tom Gentry
 General Manager
 WHVN/WAVU/WNMX Radio Stations

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RE: FCC File numbers RM-9208 and RM-9242

To Whom It May Concern:

There is a pirate operating in the Portland Maine market at the frequency 97.3. It's power fluctuates but generally it's operating at 1 watt. It broadcasts 80's music. It can interfere with two local stations at 96.9 and 97.9. These stations are not part of our group but what affects the marketplace affects all of us.

The 6 stations in our group do various things for community groups:

- WMGX Feed the Hungry Food Drive, collected and delivered non-perishable food items for the Good Shepherd Food Bank and other local food banks.
 - WMGX Christmas Wish - Delivering Holiday Joy to young and old with presents, putting up Christmas trees, Free time for busy moms and whatever's needed to make the holiday's happy.
 - WPORAM/FM Christmas is For Kids - a holiday party and presents for the kids who normally fall through the human services cracks.
 - WGAN Ice Storm 98 - stayed live on the air for 18 hours to help listeners who's only informational source was a battery operated radio.
- ALL OUR STATIONS: Beat the Drum and Bring out the troops for the Red Cross Blood Drives, United Way, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and other local charitable and community organizations.

We are the second most densely radio'd market in the nation next to Honolulu and yet we are a 100+ market. More signals are not needed. All the local radio stations reach out to their communities. Our listeners are our business, our neighbors, and our friends.

Please keep our airwaves uncluttered.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Gold

Robert J. Gold
VP/General Manager

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Reference: FCC File No's. **RM-9208 and RM-9242**

Dear Sirs:

As a small market broadcaster I want to express my dismay, concern, and opposition to the various proposals being considered for low power radio stations.

It was not long ago when my company, on the verge of financial disaster due to the plethora of docket 80-90 radio stations, was forced to borrow literally millions of dollars to keep operating. Eventually, thanks to the telecom act and the ability to consolidate some of the surplus stations, we have begun to recover financially.

While we are making some progress, the prospect of round two of station overflow is an overwhelmingly negative concept. Most markets to this day have stations that are barely financially viable, and these stations most certainly would fail in the wake of even more signals.

Perhaps I am under a misconception, but I thought that a significant mission of the FCC was to protect the technical integrity of existing service to the public. With the industry apparently on the verge of technical change with IBOC technology, how could this possibly be anything but an incredible technical complication?

Does the commission have no memory of the devastating affects of docket 80-90? Please understand that most radio broadcasters are still small owned operators who are not financially able to handle yet another FCC created disaster.

Most small broadcasters appreciate the commissions quest for diversity and community service, and most of us strive hard to promote and encourage that diversity and service. What we need is your help and encouragement to do even better. What we don't need are hundreds of new stations with the inherent interference and financial complication which would be inevitable.

Thank you for your consideration of my views on this issue.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Shott

Michael R. Shott
President/CEO

S/jb

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RM 9242

Gentlepersons:

The radio stations shown on the letterhead are all small market stations in communities that could be doubly hurt by the opening up of "community low power stations" as proposed.

These stations have been on the air for many years, and have tried to serve their hometowns, and in turn to be supported by the communities by listenership and sponsorship of the local events carried on the air.

Typically, a smaller community would have many more "open channels" on which these community stations could be put, compared to a larger city where the dial is already full.

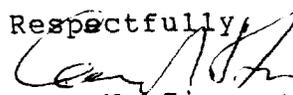
Too, small stations need to reach out farther for listeners, since they are sparse in many areas, and the filling of the dial with secondary services could harm the small "regular" stations.

Finally, small stations have managed to adjust to the large increase in stations brought about by Docket 80-90. Because cities already had full complements of stations each 800 KHz up the dial, practically all of the assignments created by 80-90 fell into smaller towns and this had a dramatic impact on reducing the income of the typical single station market "old-timer". Sadly, there were not that many "new dollars" created by the arrival of new stations, which meant the sharing of revenue by old and new, and skeleton staffs in many situations.

Especially unfair would be the impact on AM daytime and Class C (formerly Class IV) stations, as it relates to night service. Hundreds of these stations attempt to serve their communities with very low power and extremely limited coverage. To allow a "community FM" to go on the air with a service that could be received clearly for 10-15 miles would be devastating to efforts by these AM stations to serve their communities, when interference and low power limit their coverage.

We urge the Commission to proceed very slowly in overturning the rather delicate existence of small market radio stations in this country.

Respectfully,


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North Cascades Broadcasting

KOMW AM 680 FM 92.7

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April 24, 1998

Federal Communications Commission
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 1919 M. Street NW
 Washington D.C. 20554

Re: File #RM-9208 & RM 9242.

FCC Comments:

I am writing today to express my extreme concern regarding the commission's proposed action to allow more low power stations. I own and operate 2 FM stations and 1 AM station in rural communities in Washington State.

I seriously challenge the concept that low power stations are necessary to better serve communities. I know of a half dozen stations (KOMW AM & FM, KOZI AM & FM, KVLK FM, KCVL....) in my area alone that work very hard to provide the kind of coverage that communities need. These stations and many others provide great coverage of local events, hours of free air time on local shows on local issues, free air time in interviews for local and regional political candidates, live election night coverage, local sports events, local issues forums and local call in shows for buy sell and trade of personal items and discussions of important or interesting topics. These stations count on the wisdom and representation of FCC commissioners to help them be able to operate in an already *VERY* competitive marketplace.

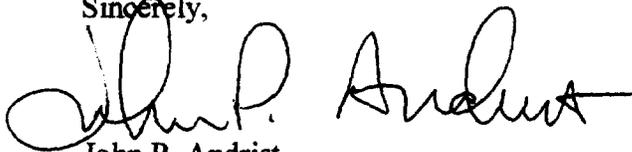
This action will result in very uneven competitive pressures on existing stations unless these new stations are required to follow the same very expensive engineering and licensing regulations that impact other broadcasters. We operate in much the same markets as these low power stations (I have at least 4 unlicensed pirates in my coverage area). ANY inequity in regulation will create unfair advantages for the lower power operators. I know of numerous stations that will be impacted very negatively by low power if it does not carry the same expensive requirements as conventional broadcasting because many stations operate in very small markets. Small markets mean small advertising budgets that dictate low radio advertising rates for broadcasters. If low power is going to mean cheaper regulatory requirements then that amounts to an uneven playing field in the market place in which we must make our living. More to the point:

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1. No translators should be allowed period, for low power broadcasters. If translators are allowed, the lower stations will be able to chain them together to produce a coverage area similar to higher power, very expensive conventional stations.
2. EAS compliance should be required. If these low power stations are in reality going to better serve their communities then they should be required to serve them with emergency information as well.
3. All spectrum use fees, licensing fees, monitoring requirements etc should apply to low power as it does under existing licenses.
4. Any new station must meet the same rigid interference requirements in place now.

My experience with pirate broadcasters has been a very negative one. These illegal broadcasters have attacked me on the air personally and professionally. I have no belief that their actions should have earned them the opportunity to occupy the airwaves. If I chose to operate in the same manner, I am sure my license(s) would be in jeopardy. For the reasons I have stated here I strenuously oppose the FCC's proposed action in regard to low power broadcasters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John P. Andrist". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and "A".

John P. Andrist

Owner

North Cascades Broadcasting, Inc.

KELP RADIO

AM 1590

April 24, 1998

Federal Communications Commission
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RE: FCC FILE NOS RM-9208 AND RM-9742

I am writing to oppose the possibility of the commission ruling in favor of allowing new , low-power stations to flood our local markets. I stand with many other broadcasters locally and nationally that would be affected by this for the following reasons:

1. Locally there is already an influx of interference from unknown sources which blocks our clear signal. The addition of more low- power stations would add to what is already a problem;

2. As an independent broadcaster, I have aired programs and provided services that are essential to maintaining good community service. During the services they provide. We also host a medical talk program whereby listeners call in with their medical questions and can have them answered by a licensed doctor. We are also in tune with the needs of the aged, and air an informative program dealing with mid-life issues. We are civic minded also, and allow organizations air time to discuss their upcoming events.

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With all the *free* air-time that is provided to insure that the local community is serviced, I don't agree with the commission that their plan to add more low-power stations will provide any more of a service than what I and many other local and national broadcasters are providing already. Therefore, I am asking that the FCC not allow an influx of these proposed low-power stations.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arnold McClatchey". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Arnold McClatchey
Owner

The Federal Communications Commission
(In reference to Petition RM-9242)

It is hard to believe that you, The FCC, are in affect promoting the exact opposite in position for which you have been established. For public communications is the goal of our radio station KAW 88.9 in Lawrence, Kansas.

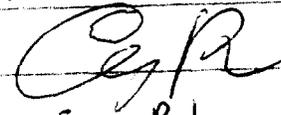
Our radio station was created in in the hopes that the communication of our local community events and concerns, however small, could be more easily accessible and publicized on our low powered radio signal. This signal though not up to FCC power regulations is not a threat to high powered commercially backed signals and is not detectable 5 miles outside of town. Our D.J's are volunteers who give their time free of charge, in the hopes of perpetuating this great communal cause.

KAW 88.9 and all of the expenses in its' creation and maintenance have been paid for by community collection boxes and local businesses. The funds only raised by members of our

town Lawrence, K.S. in addition to
Petition RM-9242 should stand
as votes in favor of this democratic
project. In this supposed land
of free speech and thought why
do you contest this communal
spirit and these legitimate actions
in favor of getting community interests
broadcasted "on the streets."

I am aware of corporate
concerns of our new liberating ideas.
In the "information age" why is it that
only certain kinds of broadcasting
through radio be limited to size
and corporate interests. I would hope
that when it comes time to vote,
that you see to it that KAW
88.9 will be legally licensed under
your program. We love our station.
Its' diversity is apparent and open
to modification in order to propel
democracy.

A concerned citizen



Greg Pulson

646 1/2 Ohio

Lawrence, KS 66411



PANAMERICAN PERSPECTIVE

P.O. BOX 25317
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PANAMERICAN PERSPECTIVE UNEQUIVOCALLY SUPPORTS MICHAEL CALDERON'S PETITION TO BE GRANTED A LICENSED FREQUENCY FOR A HISPANIC RADIO STATION TO SERVE THE KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY.

Commissioners, it is inconceivable that the Kansas City area with its sizable Hispanic population does not have a Spanish radio station. It is the only metropolitan area of its size and demographics to boast this dubious claim to fame. The needs of more than 100,000 individuals are not being met in America's heartland, and your agency has actively and by default conspired to deprive the Kansas City Hispanic community of a telecommunications forum--a voice.

To date, the FCC has demonstrated overt insensitivity to the needs of its government's citizens and has been callously unresponsive to the voice of the populace. Be assured that this is a charitable statement. Perhaps you are not aware that your agency, through its actions, has exemplified the worst case governmental regulatory agency scenario. At best, its actions have been inexcusable, at worst, legally questionable.

Panamerican Perspective is dedicated to advocating for the right of individuals, singularly or collectively, to be treated with respect, dignity, equality. Our intent is not to belabor past injustices, but to move forward proactively to achieve the goal of providing the Kansas City community with an alternative radio station that reflects and celebrates our diversity. Stated in simple terms, we want this radio station. We do not want excuses or vague promises or bureaucratic rhetoric--we want the reality of 24-hour programming in Spanish serving the Kansas City community. In this case, our organization will not attempt to address or cite legal criteria to promote or defend an affirmative decision. You are certainly aware of all of the reasons, practically and philosophically, that Kansas City should have this frequency--they are self evident. To this we would add--an affirmative vote to approve Michael Calderon's petition for a licensed frequency for a Hispanic radio station is, quite simply, the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Tamara Nelson

Tamara Nelson
Vice President

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FAVOR DE TOMAR EN CUENTA
QUE KANSAS CITY NECESITA UNA
ESTACION DE RADIO EN ESPAÑOL, ESTAMOS
EN EL AÑO 1998 Y YA VAMOS PARA
EL AÑO 2,000 Y NO CONTAMOS CON UNA
ESTACION DE RADIO EN ESPAÑOL.

NO CREEN USTEDES QUE YA ES
TIEMPO QUE NOS CONCEDAN UNA
ESTACION DE RADIO PARA LA COMUNIDAD
HISPANA, NOSOTROS TAMBIEN TENEMOS DELE-
CHO A LAS FRECUENCIAS RADIALES
TAMBIEN PAGAMOS IMPUESTOS.

REGLA RM-9242

GRACIAS.

ATTE.

BETO MARTINEZ

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A quien le interese. AR27:8

FCC BUREAU

Aquí en Kansas City, Mo.
Necesitamos una Estación de
Radio en Español, para la
Comunidad Hispana, Meses
atrás la FCC nos confiscó
la que teníamos, pedimos que
se nos devuelva.

Solicitamos su Apoyo.

Rule # RM 9242.

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Gracias

Atte.
Rosario Ortega

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Office of the Secretary
1210 M Street N.W.
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SUBJECT: Proposed Rule #PM 9242

Gentlemen/Ladies:

This letter is being sent in support of Michael G. Calderon's request that he be granted a license to broadcast to the spanish-speaking public in the Kansas City and surrounding area. Feel that there are enough of the latter to warrant same. Geographically speaking, many other major cities in the United States are allowed to provide said service.

Business-wise, it would be a positive thing to do since we are in a global economy. Many schools offer second language courses in their curriculum and, by hearing spanish music being broadcasted, non-spanish-speaking people might be prompted to learn spanish. Of course, it could also be Italian, French, etc.

Thank you in advance for taking the time to read this letter and for your kind consideration of the subject matter.

Respectfully,

Bert Martinez
7000 N. Dawn #101
Kansas City, Mo. 64151

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To whom it may concern,

THIS LETTER IS IN REGARD
THE RULE MAKING # RM 9242
THE HISPANICS, NEEDED A RADIO
IN THEIR COMMUNITY, PLEASE
KEEP IN MIND, THE STATION
THAT THE FCC CONFISCATED
MONTHS AGO.

SINCERELY YOURS

SARAH

Sara Ladigenusky

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I UNEQUIVOCALLY SUPPORT MICHAEL CALDERON'S PETITION TO BE GRANTED A LICENSED FREQUENCY FOR A HISPANIC RADIO STATION TO SERVE THE KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY.

Commissioners, it is inconceivable that the Kansas City area with its sizable Hispanic population does not have a Spanish radio station. It is the only metropolitan area of its size to boast this dubious claim to fame. The needs of more than 100,000 individuals are not being met in American's heartland--the Kansas City Hispanic community is being deprived of a telecommunications forum--a voice.

This issue impacts the community at-large and also touches me personally. From a personal perspective and speaking as a Non-Hispanic member of the Kansas City community, I feel that denying me accessibility to Spanish programming is robbing me of a superb cultural and educational tool, as well as an immeasurable amount of listening enjoyment. Stated in simple terms, I want this radio station. I don't want excuses or vague promises or bureaucratic rhetoric--I want the reality of 24-hour programming in Spanish at my disposal.

Our governmental agencies exist to respond to the needs of this nation's citizens. The current administration in Washington is courageously advocating for positive change; its town hall meeting forum is seeking input and demonstrating sensitivity to the needs of the populace. I would hope that the FCC is dedicated to reflect the President's objectives to serve the people. To that end, it is time to move forward to proactively achieve the goal of providing the Kansas City community with an alternative radio station that celebrates and reflects our diversity. An affirmative vote to approve Michael Calderon's application for a licensed frequency for a Hispanic radio station is in order. The granting of this license is, quite simply, the right thing to do.

Sincerely,

Tamara Nelson

Tamara Nelson

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POR MEDIO DE LA PRESENTE ME HAGO LLEGAR ANTE USTEDES , PARA SOLI-
CITARLES SU VALIOSO APOYO PARA QUE DEN SU APROBACION PARA UNA _
FRECUENCIA DE RADIO EN FM EN ESPA:OL PARA QUE SIRVA A TODA LA
COMUNIDAD HISPANA DE KANSAS CITY MO.

YA QUE ES MUY IMPORTANTE E INDISPENSABLE PARA NOSOTROS LOS HIS__
PANOS CONTAR CON ELLA POR LAS SIGUIENTES RAZONES:

NO TENEMOS NINGUN MEDIO DE COMUNICACION
HABEMOS UN PROMEDIO DE 80,000 HISPANOS EN EL AREA METROPOLITANA
DE KANSAS CITY MO.

RULE RM 9242

SIN MAS POR EL MOMENTO Y ESPERANDO CONTAR CON SU VALIOSO APOYO
LE REITERO LAS GRACIAS.

ABRIL 22 DE 1993.

A T E N T A M E N T E

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