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Jack M. Radisch (jradisch@liii.com) writes:

Chairman Kennard,

I'm writing this note to you about Petitions RM-9208 & RM-9242 otherwise known respectively as Low Power FM and Micropower Broadcasting service.

I've heard that you might be interested in the establishment of that type of service. The problem with both petitions is that they want to plop the stations on an already congested FM band. I propose a solution (you can take credit for it and I'll quietly recede into the background), a separate band. Think about the possibilities:

- 1- Thousands of local stations broadcasting town and neighborhood news, school board meetings, truly local Public Service announcements, inexpensive local advertising for local stores, local school sports, public safety messages from your local police precinct.
- 2- No interference to existing services.
- 3- The electronics industry will have a new product to sell (receivers with the new band -AM, FM, Community Radio).
- 4- The broadcasting equipment will be priced within everyone's reach because it will be mass produced.
- 5- The FCC will get tremendous public relations benefits and prove it's there for the little guy.
- 6- The fringe element involved in unlicensed (pirate radio) will have no freedom of speech arguments left.
- 7- We will become a nation of proud, neighborhoods.

A few words about my background:

I was a Broadcast Engineer with NBC-NY for 15 years. I had to leave due to health problems (Pituitary Tumor). When you develop a serious illness, you begin to take an inventory of your life. This community station concept has been my life long dream. If it is put into effect, I will be one of the first to apply for a license. My community (Forest Hills, NY), will benefit.

If you or your staff would like to discuss anything mentioned in this note, my phone number is (718) 459-1935

Sincerely,  
Jack M. Radisch

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