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To: A7.A7 (GTRISTAN, MPOWELL, HFURCHTG, SNESS, WKENNARD)
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Subject: RM-9242 Oppinion - Comment/Reply

Dear Chairman W. Kennard, Commissioner S. Ness, H. Furchtgott-Roth, M. Powell, & G. Tristani:

How are you doing? A week or so ago, sent Chairman W. Kennard an e-note about what a person needs to do to establish a 1-5 watt FM transitter site. I haven't heard anything yet, but did stumble across this Bill.

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---> RM-9242 - Low Power FM Broadcasting <-----

I support the creation of low powered FM transmitter sites (lpfm)/licence. I have not seen any fee schedules yet for licencing, but would like to see flexibility for sites depending upon whether they are commercial or not, whether they are located in a rural or urban setting, the transmitter power, and on the amount of hours broadcasting per day. When a lpfm site is licenced, that site should receive the same protection as a big commercial stations does (i.e. interference from other stations...).

I think this is a step in the right direction. The best step would actually be to not regulate any lpfm that operates below 10, 20, or 50 watts and does not interfere with any commercial broadcasters. Maybe the FCC can set up a licence/operating permit like the Forest Service and or BLM do - any mining disturbance under 5 acreas requires that the miner file a Notice of Operation... Maybe FCC can adapt the concept and require a notice to be filed stating the hours of broadcasting, the max. output power, the type of station, the location, and the frequency along with a nominal \$5-10 to cover filing fees. But, any station operating above 50 - 100 watts will have to go through a licencing process and pay a little more nominal fee for the licence. (A 5-10 Watt station should be more than adequately cover a neighborhood and will allow a rural operator to reach nearby neighbors without interfering with the big commercial stations.)

Thank you. I trust that this is an adequate form/means of reply to you for this issue. If not, please let me know immediately... Have a great day and I look forward to a vote for the American people in letting freedom reign again!

Sincerely,

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