

The proposed rulemaking on lower power FM (<1000 watt) stations contains no provisions for different branches of colleges and universities. For instance, the University of Maryland College Park currently has a 10 watt license to broadcast in College Park, MD. However, other branches of the University of Maryland system such as the University of Maryland, Baltimore County which are 30 miles away do not possess such a license, and as such must broadcast as carrier current stations. The provisions of the new FCC rules to allow FM licensing under <1000 watts would not allow any other branches of the University of Maryland to obtain a license because the current license for the University of Maryland College Park is possessed by the state of Maryland. I support the new low-power licensing idea, but also believe that there should exist a provision which allows different campuses within a state university system to each possess such a license. Thank you for your time.

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