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DEAR COMMISSIONERS:

I AM WRITING REGARDING NPRM #FCC 99-6, MM DOCKET #99-25 & #99-25. I URGE YOU TO FIRST ADOPT RULES TO LICENSE LOW POWER FM RADIO. RADIO BROADCASTING NEEDS MORE CHOICE AND LESS COMMERCIALIZATION. A LICENSING PROGRAM FOR MICRORADIO STATIONS WOULD HELP SOLVE THAT PROBLEM. THE RULES SHOULD STIPULATE THAT THE LICENSES GO TO NON-COMMERCIAL GROUPS, BE NON-TRANSFERABLE, AND LIMITED TO ONE PER GROUP. THE MICRO BROADCAST PIONEERS WHO HAVE SUFFERED INJUSTICES AT THE HANDS OF THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE GIVEN AMNESTY. WHATEVER PROBLEMS ARISE SHOULD BE MEDIATED BY VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS, THE F.C.C. BEING THE FINAL ARBITER. NO SECONDARY STATUS SHOULD BE ALLOWED. POWER LEVELS SHOULD BE 100 WATTS IN CITIES, 250 WATTS IN RURAL AREAS. WHEN DIGITAL RADIO ARRIVES, MICRORADIO MUST BE A PART OF IT. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THERE IS NO CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO MAKE MONEY FROM LOCAL RADIO, BUT CITIZENS DO HAVE A RIGHT TO COMMUNICATE UNDER OUR CONSTITUTION.

SINCERELY,

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