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LPFM Service:

Dear Chairman Kennard and Commissioners:

Check these very serious concerns:

I hope i am not a kiljoy !

But the more i look at this NPRM i get the sensation that i am being made to believe what not is true. The purpose of LPFM Service was to have Woman, Blacks, and Minoritys to have and opportunity to enter the Radio Broadcast Industry, the main setback was financial, so the FCC gave us a false appearance, they are doing what Congress Mandated them to do 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review Proceedings. what they did was give us 1 to 10 watts ????????. they have 100 watts and 1000 watts already they changed a few rules, example electronic filing which they where going to do anyway.

my problem is i dont have the finance for a 100 or 1000 watt station, they gave me nothing 1 to 10 watts and that is not Guaranteed.

does anyone have \$30,000.00 and or \$100,000.00 to loan me.

i cant get a loan i am on Disability, i suffer from Chronic Pain Syndrome.

all i want is 50 watt station.

MORE INFO

DON WRITES:

The Low Power Radio Service should be designed to be as AFFORDABLE AS POSSIBLE -- and this includes NOT forcing people to choose between expensive upgrades and being "bumped".

REPLY:

AGREEE ! While equipment upgrades will be somewhat costly (although probably not excessive) The APPLICATION fees for ALL should be kept to a minimum. Engineering studies etc. and associated cost for LP1000 may prevent many from applying.

DON:

If we don't keep the Low Power Radio Service AS AFFORDABLE AS POSSIBLE,  
how are we going MAXIMIZE PARTICIPATION by People Without Much Money?  
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REPLY: Good Point & Good Question !  
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DON:

I didn't put in all of this time and energy just so we could put a few  
more people On The Air -- and then watch those people pull in the  
drawbridge to keep all the others out.  
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REPLY:

Yes Don, It would be easy for some to fall into this trap at the expense  
of others.

We MUST remember and be reminded what brings  
us here in the first place & what we have been fighting for..and must  
KEEP focused while moving ahead.

God Bless  
Joey Dee