

Hi. I'm a 17 year old high school senior who recently acquired knowledge of low-power radio broadcasting technology. It seems to me that authorizing such a proposal to license low power radio stations would be a great idea. Not only would it diversify the type of programming available on the FM bandwidth, it would also enable those lacking financial aide to start their own stations. I believe technology and free speech should not be limited only to the rich but also made avail to the middle class and lower classes. Licenses should also be offered for stations running on the 1-10 watt bandwidth, and the proposed electronic filing system sounds like an excellent method to monitor registration status.

Currently, there is a lack of groove/techno programming in Orange County, California. There use to be a station, 103.1 FM that played groove; however, it was forced to close down due to financial problems. Therefore, I am personally interested in starting my own low-power radio broadcast for the 1-2 mile radius. My neighborhood friends also want me to start such a station since it would be advertisement-free (24-hr continuous uninterrupted music). Just upon completion of my antenna, 1-Watt RF FM amplifier, 9-element filter, and BA1404 FM stereo modulator, I discovered a set of FCC regulations that would prohibit me from starting my station. I checke