

With all the advents in broadcasting technology I think it is necessary to realize the implications of a number of the suggestions with the Low-PowerFM legislation.

To offer the creation of a class of micro-radio is a gesture bereft of meaning when coupled with inadequate signal protection. it is certainly one thing to have a class of stations that "support and broaden the community" but with the disgusting capabilities of corporate mega-watt stations, such a small station would be mauled by the fiscal might of such a giant. Problem is, that type of radio can afford to throw smaller stations (like the one for which i currently work) into the ground, and play the same, monotonous, raucous, over-produced, talentless junk that typically permeates large stations today.

While it would be nice to have our own class of station (microradio) I feel no need to thank the FCC for letting us continue to exist, and telling us that we can stay on the air until a bigger and better offer comes along. "Microradio" is a great thing, and really is the only place for diverse programming other than NPR, (which is so inadequately funded...) i believe that not only does there need to be a class of stations, but there needs to be a protected status, or at least equitable compensation (i.e. another frequency) if frequencies get bought out...

thanks.

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