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The Honorable William E. Kennard
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St. SW
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Dear Chairman Kennard:

I am writing to express my concerns for the Federal Communications Commission's recent proposal concerning low power commercial radio stations.

As you know, I am a strong advocate of competition. However, in this case there is apparent data that indicates that there will be significant interference from these low power stations. Already, radio signals on Long Island are difficult to get clearly due to natural and man-made obstructions. If additional signals are added to this, I fear that the listening public will hear nothing but a jumble of noise.

I have in the past and continue to support opening up the FM airwaves to public service entities, such as the New York State Thruway Authority, that fulfill critical public safety functions. We must provide the most effective and efficient means for our public safety officials to work.

I urge you to postpone the changes in the regulations and carve out uses for public safety only, not commercial radio stations, which will provide a proper balance for all involved. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

Mike

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