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Dear Sirs:

I am an active physician in NYC and my hobby is building and flying radio controlled model airplanes. I am active in the local flying club (100+ members) for the last 30 years.

I am very worried about the decrease in safety if land mobile radio users are near the 72-76 MHz band, to say nothing about our considerable investment in our radio equipment and our airplanes.

Please help me to continue the safe enjoyment of my hobby (and all the members of my club as well) by not allowing the new proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely,

Irving Friedman

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January 27, 1993

Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Sirs:

It has recently come to my attention that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering an action that will severely limit and potentially eliminate a very important hobby of mine, radio controlled (R/C) model airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats.

Your Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of your rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band and 10 of 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

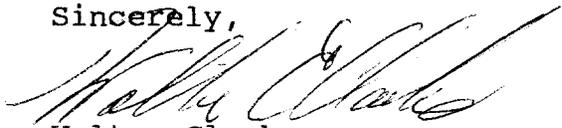
The action will have a severe, detrimental impact upon me and the entire R/C hobby industry. If put into effect, my airplane or helicopter could easily be shot out of the sky by a mobile user I'd have no way of knowing about. This creates a severe health hazard.

I have been involved in this hobby for 4 years. I own 5 radios and 7 model airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats. In addition, I have numerous engines, motors, chargers, field accessories and other products necessary to support my hobby. When you consider there are hundreds of thousands of other R/C hobbyists in the U.S. just like me, these proposed rule changes will affect a lot of people economically and in terms of enjoyment.

I urge you to reconsider this. Keep 10KHz spacing between all frequencies on 75 MHz and 72 MHz bands available for safe use by R/C enthusiasts. Please don't eliminate this hobby that has grown tremendously over the past 30 years and has so much investment of money and enjoyment of people nationwide.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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Dear Sirs

I am an active duty Air Force Avionics Technician. I spend a large part of my leisure time building and flying radio control model aircraft. I have been active in this hobby for 25 years and will remain so for the rest of my life.

I am concerned about the proposed rules that are currently under consideration by the FCC. The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted, the new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model aircraft use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

The proposed docket affects the frequencies in the 72-76 MHz band. We modelers currently share this band with land mobile radio users without any interference from each other. The new land mobile radio frequencies would be placed closer to the current frequencies used by radio control modelers resulting in interference to both users of this band and loss of control of model aircraft on the affected frequencies.

The models I fly weigh about 7 pounds each and fly at 40 MPH. I fly at a public park with a local club. Most days we attract a large number of spectators. If control of one of these models is lost due to radio interference it can cause property damage, serious injury, or even death. We currently use strict rules to prevent this with the frequencies currently assigned for models. The proposed docket would reduce the number of safe usable frequencies from 50 to only 19 making frequency control much more difficult and increasing the potential of accidents. I presently own five radio sets at a cost of \$150.00 each. If the new rules are adopted only two sets would remain safe to operate.

Please help me to continue to enjoy my leisure time safely by reconsidering increasing the land mobile radio usage at the expense of the model aircraft industry.

Sincerely,

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