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**Congress of the United States**  
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JIM SLATTERY  
SECOND DISTRICT, KANSAS

March 8, 1993

Federal Communications Commission  
Congressional Liaison  
1919 M Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed correspondence from Jeff Schmidt of Pittsburg, Kansas, regarding radio controlled models and PR Docket 92-235.

Your assistance in reviewing his concerns is greatly appreciated.

Please direct all correspondence to my new Topeka office location at 700 S.W. Jackson, Suite 803, Topeka, Kansas 66603. Thank you and I look forward to your written reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jim Slattery".

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January 24, 1992

The Honorable Bob Grant  
State Capitol Building  
Topeka, KS 66612

Dear Mr. Grant:

I am a middle class person who has two hobby's, one is my work and the other is Radio Controlled (R/C) models such as airplanes, helicopters, cars and boats. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio-controlled model airplanes. I personally own 4 radios and 4 R/C airplanes and have a workshop full of other products necessary to operating my models.

I am very concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio-control frequencies are in the 72-76 MHz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces part 90 of the 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 (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band (for R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyists. In fact, more channels will likely be affected.

When we operate our R/C models, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

I don't think it is wise of the FCC to seek to expand the operation conditions of land mobile radio users at the expense of the radio-control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radio, but we have a considerable



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Carl L Boggs Jr	inq. comments on PR Docket 92-235

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REMARKS: Respond to the Topeka, KS office.

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