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FROM: ROBERT C. HAUPTMAN

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TO: CONGRESS / F.C.C.

- I WISH TO PROTEST THE PROPOSED INCREASE
IN LICENSE COST FOR MARINE VHF BAND.

- THIS IS AN IMPORTANT TOOL, NOT TO MENTION
SAFETY DEVICE ON A BOAT. WHILE
AN INCREASE FROM ^{\$}35⁰⁰ TO ^{\$}70⁰⁰ MAY NOT
SEEM BIG TO GOVERNMENT WITH A MULTI-
TRILLION DOLLAR BUDGET, WE AT TAX PAYING
LEVEL CANNOT AFFORD TO TAKE ON ANOTHER
TAX INCREASE (100%).

I THINK ITS OBVIOUS THE PUBLIC DOESN'T
NEED ANOTHER TAX INCREASE-BASED UPON
THE SUCCESS OF THE COAST GUARD USER FEE
DEAL PROGRAM.

LEAVE OUR MONEY AT THE CONSUMER/
LOCAL LEVEL WHERE IT CAN GENERATE SOME
JOBS AND INCOME

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SECRETARY, FCC
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THE SMALL CRAFT ADVISORY MAGAZINE HAS INDICATED THAT FCC IS PONDERING A RATE INCREASE FOR THE 5 YEAR SHIP STATION RADIO OPERATORS LICENSE.

AM OPPOSED AND WITH GOOD REASON.

I AM AND HAVE BEEN FOR THE PAST 14 YEARS A MEMBER OF THE U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY AND HAVE REPRESENTED THEM AS FLOTILLA STAFF OFFICER/VESSEL EXAMINER.

IN THE PAST THREE YEARS, I HAVE PROBABLY HANDED OUT MORE FCC LICENSE APPLICATIONS TO BOAT OWNERS AND MARINE DEALERS THAN EVER BEFORE.

WE ARE ENCOURAGING BOAT OWNERS, SOME WHO HAVE NEVER APPLIED AND TO THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER RENEWED, TO OBTAIN A CURRENT LICENSE, AND TO CONTINUE FOR THE FUTURE.

LOTS OF COMPLAINTS, EVEN AT THE 35.00 COST AS OF NOW. MY FEELINGS ARE THAT WITH AN INCREASE, WE WILL EXPERIENCE THE SAME AS THE CB RADIO OPERATORS. FORGET IT.

MY FLOTILLA IS OUT OF THE ST. IGNACE AREA. 09C-16-08, AND I AM PRESENTLY THE FLOTILLA COMMANDER AND FSO/VE AND ALONG WITH MARINE DEALER VISITOR RESPONSIBILITY'S.

I CURRENTLY HAVE 9 DEALERS SET UP FOR ANNUAL VISITS WITH LITERATURE AND FCC APPLICATIONS. I EXAMINE APPROXIMATELY 150 TO 175 BOATS PER YEAR. OUR FLOTILLA COMPLETED 440 COURTESY MARINE EXAMINATIONS IN THE STRAITS AREA, ONLY. WE ARE ACTIVE.

PLEASE KEEP THE DUES AS IS. (35.00, 5 YR) LET US ENCOURAGE THESE BOATERS GOING THROUGH OUR AREA TO CONFORM TO ALL BOATING SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS.

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FROM: Tom Hayes

Sweet Surrender of Alameda, CA

TO: Secretary of the FCC

DATE: January 20, 1994

SUBJECT: FCC VHF Marine Radio Licenses Fees

I vote NO on raising the Radio License fees, in fact, I not even sure what function the current \$35 fee is performing. Don't tell or send me any thing, I don't want to create any more expenses. After all, I have all ready fill out that form and merrily sent the fee in. I have never used the radio and plan to use it in emergency Only.

Why don't you spend more time identifying the boater who have not even paid the first \$35, do you think they will start by raising to fees? Catch a clue!, you might loose a few!

As far as safety, I wish us all luck in getting time on the radio to make that MAYDAY, MAYDAY. MAYDAY call, with all that small talk on the radio.

I am tired of paying fees, taxes, and subsidies for nothing, I suggest that we ALL figure out better and more equitable ways of defraying costs and expenses. Most of all, become more productive with the resources you already have, after all, that what us' legal, taxed, and honest citizens DO.

Thank you for for time,

Regards,


Tom Hayes

Just in case, you would care to contact me, my address is PO Box 422967,
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Secretary, FCC
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I recently read an article that stated the FCC regulatory fees for Ship Station license for boaters and other mariners is going to be raised from \$35 to \$70 for a 5 year license. It is my opinion that the current \$35 fee is excessive for the service you provide. I do not understand how you can justify raising fees to \$75. Look into your own organization to cut costs before you go to the general public. I urge you, DO NOT RAISE THE FEES.

Sincerely

David Tiefenbach

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To. The Secretary of the FCC

To whom it may concern.

The purpose of this letter is to voice my objection to the proposal to raise the fees to the owners of marine VHF-FM radios.

I have been in active boating for over forty years and have experienced raises of fees and other costs, paying each one because I could see the extra monies being used to make boating safer.

The majority of boaters do not use the transmit feature of these radios, restricting themselves to transmit emergency calls. While I applaud your agency's efforts to police radio traffic and appreciate the strong enforcement, I feel that because of the light transmission use of marine radios that further fees are not needed.

Sincerely



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