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Dear Mr. Secretary,

The proposal to increase marine VHF-FM station license fees (MD Doc. No. 9419) is ludicrous. A marine radio is a valuable piece of safety equipment and license fees rose from 0 to \$35 just in the past 5 years. Any further increase is simply unwarranted.

If the State of Virginia can administer a drivers' license program for \$5 a year, I would expect the FCC could administer this license program for the present \$7 per year fee. Sincerely,  
James B. Bunting, Jr.

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Dear Sir,

I am writing in regard to the proposed Marine Radio license fee of \$115.00 I feel that this is gouging the average boater, it was bad enough to stick us with the Boating Sticker, a fee I paid for absolutely nothing!

Five years ago a marine license cost nothing - ZERO when it was raised to \$35.00 For what? I protest this increm strongly and feel I am being taxed and licensed enough!

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March 25, 1994

Federal Communications Commission  
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To Whom it May Concern:

As owners of a small recreational boat (15 1/2') we are deeply distressed to hear of a proposed increase in the license fee for a marine radio.

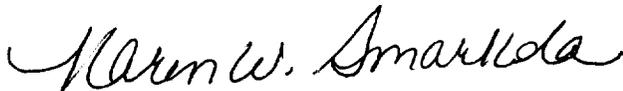
Upon purchasing the boat, we also were considering the purchase of a hand held radio for increased safety reasons. After learning of your increase, however, we feel that the government is totally against safety precautions and have decided to do without the radio rather than submit to another "tax" (your user's fee).

It is outrageous that the government, instead of learning to budget their money (our tax dollars) as we must budget ours, finds new ways to "stick it" to the individual and say once again "we don't care about your safety, just your money".

The very idea of increasing a license fee for pleasure boaters is absurd. In fact, radio licenses for pleasure boaters should be **WAIVED**.

If any payment is required it should go to the Coast Guard, who would be the ones to rescue us in an emergency, not the FCC.

Sincerely,



Karen W. Smarkola

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