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Office of the Secretary  
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**RE: RM-8653**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I want to take a minute of your time to encourage you to favourably consider Apple Computer's request for 300Mhz of spectrum at 5 gigahertz. This proposal would give consumers unparalleled access to wireless telecommunications, and it would create a whole new telecommunications industry (one not controlled by the telephone companies) at the same time.

Since spread-spectrum communications allow non-switched communications, the requested frequencies could be used for a large number of wireless communications from data networks, to pagers, to phones, and to technologies that have not yet been thought of.

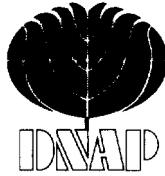
I would like to encourage the FCC to grant Apple's request for this "Public Access" spectrum.

Sincerely,

Timothy J. Grant  
Partner

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To whom it may concern,

Please register my support for RM-8653

As computer network manager of a small, multi-site research and development company involved in agricultural biotechnology, I favor plans to open free access to the kind of high throughput data transfer systems proposed by Apple in RM-8653.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Rob Narberes  
Lab Services Supervisor

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Re: RM-8653

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to encourage the FCC to take Apple's petition for a portion of broad spectrum bandwidth to be allocated to public use into serious consideration. The petition outlines ways in which a public portion of bandwidth would make full deployment of the National information Infrastructure (NII) possible, including underserved groups whose access would be expanded greatly.

I feel it is critical that schools, libraries, and community organizations are provided with additional means for connecting and contributing to the National Information Infrastructure. This petition for the NII Band is the most promising opportunity that I've seen for providing access to all.

Respectfully,

*David S. Sperling*  
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July 7, 1995  
Iowa City, Iowa

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I wish to express my support for petition **RM-8653**, Apple's proposal to reserve bandwidth for public use. I believe that this is an important, groundbreaking concept at a time when large corporations have a monopoly on space allocated to consumer technology. This proposal allows freedom of public access and continued profits for established interests.

**Please approve RM-8653.**

Sincerely,



Robert M. Hoff  
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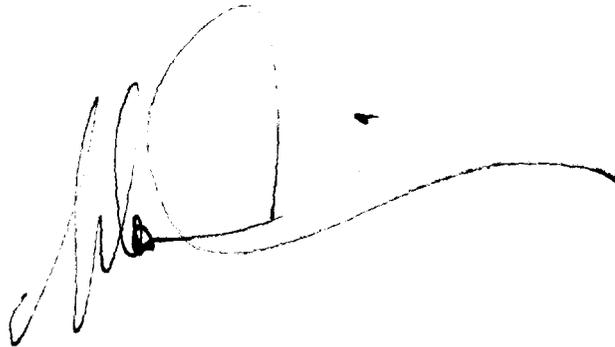
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RE: RM-8653

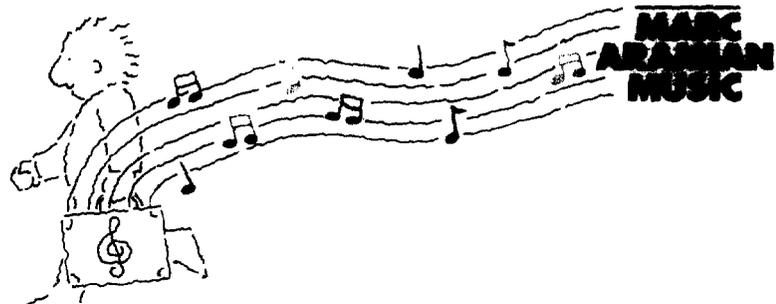
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DEAR MR. SECRETARY,

I SUPPORT APPLE'S "NII BAND" PLAN.



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Dear Sirs:

I fully support petition RM-8653 to provide greater access of the people to non-regulated broadcast space.

Thank you.

Paul Woptalewicz

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Wednesday, 5 July 1995

Hello:

I am writing to you in regard to Petition RM-8653, brought before the FCC by Apple Computer, which proposes to reserve a band of spectrum in the 5-Ghz range for personal communications of voice and data. I wish to register my strongest support for this idea.

I am concerned that recent developments in the commerce and regulation of telecommunications will have the result of limiting the access of private persons to receive and contribute to the dialog necessary to a democratic society. I am also concerned that through the FCC, our government seems to be auctioning off to the highest bidder the electromagnetic spectrum that is really the birthright of all of us. This takes from us all what a few may then sell back to us at rates they may arbitrarily set, aided by their government-granted monopoly status.

Apple's proposal would set aside for anyone's use a small slice of spectrum that would remain available to all, regardless of ability to pay monthly access fees or other tolls for use of the commercial spectrum. It would establish a sort of 21st-century "town hall" where citizens could speak their minds openly and foster debate about any subject, and in any type of medium that suited them. It is an ingenious free-market solution to the problem of information access for the less fortunate in our increasingly technological world, one that violates no one's rights and requires no new expensive tax-funded programs.

It would also result in the opportunity for entrepreneurs to develop new products and new thinking in creating tools for the public to make use of the medium. In every regard -- technical, aesthetic, political, intellectual, and economic -- this is an excellent proposal, and deserves to be immediately approved and supported by the FCC.

I am sure that established telecommunications-industry interests, who may perceive a threat from citizen access to free bandwidth, will wield their financial advantage to lobby heavily against the Apple proposal. I urge you to put aside these special interests in favor of the general interest in opening a new avenue of communications for all Americans. This opportunity is worth much more than any number of billions the telecommunications industry may offer to become sole controllers of the spectrum in question.

Thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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**Petition RM-8653 \*\*Yes to NII Band\*\***  
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Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC:

The American public needs a Citizen's Band for the information age!

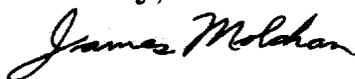
Apple's recent petition (**Petition RM-8653**) to the FCC for an unlicensed "NII band" is the best bet for this to happen. If this dream comes true what we'll really get is an entrepreneurs band. Not the kind of fake entrepreneurs with half a billion dollar war chests, or some bogus designated entity front organization. But real entrepreneurs, the kind of people that created the PC industry in the first place.

What they're asking for is simple enough: 300 megahertz of prime real estate up at 5 gigahertz, enough to accommodate high density 24-megabit-per-second connections in a fluid mix of local and wide area networking. And, oh yeah, they don't want it for themselves. They want it made available free to all comers, subject only to interference--reducing technical standards. No auctions, no license fees, no regulations on what it's used for, and no air time charges.

Open that public spectrum to FREE use by EVERYONE, subject to NO restrictions at all except (1) broadcast power that will limit range to, typically, about 15 to 30 miles, and (2) require use of a given frequency for only a very brief time - seconds or even milliseconds (assumes use of well-developed, nonproprietary "spread spectrum" techniques, where an ongoing communication takes place on one frequency for tiny time, then moves to another frequency, then another and so on; the most efficient use and sharing of broadcast spectrum that is possible!).

What Do We Want? Nonproprietary, Free Bandwidth! When Do We Want It? Now!

Sincerely,



James Molchan

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Charles & Adeline Andres  
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Ref: Petition RM-8653:

This is to inform you of my strong support for reserving a portion of the electromagnetic spectrum within useful frequencies near 5 GHz to be public and available without charge or regulation. **Petition RM-8653 for 300 MHz in the 5 GHz range as an unlicensed NII band** is an excellent idea.

While I understand that most Americans are not aware of the technicalities to be able to voice support for this Petition in detail, I am sure that I speak for a majority of the people in this country who believe, as the FCC stated at its inception, that *the airwaves are public property*. It is important to ensure that a portion of those frequencies remain public, and not to be auctioned to the highest bidder or raffled off to any group. Unlicensed NII bands are an excellent way to show that the Federal Agencies are acting in the public interest at a time when private interests appear to dominate so much of our government and its agenda.

Sincerely,



Charles Andres

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Allocation of Spectrum in the 5 GHz Band to Establish a Wireless Component of the National Information Infrastructure

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To: The Secretary

COMMENTS

In support of Apple Computer, Inc.'s Petition for Rulemaking for an "NII Band", Wireless Computing Associates, Inc. would like to submit the attached essay reflective of the major issues involved in this endeavor. (Permission to reprint copyrighted material hereby granted.)

While a staunch supporter of freely transferable property rights as the primary means for spectrum management, and auctions as a perfectly appropriate way to initially distribute bandwidth, setting aside a small fraction of the available spectrum for open market, low cost of entry, entrepreneurial activity is both wise economic policy and wise social policy.

While astonishing growth has been seen in the last ten years in wireless voice services, FCC policy has thus far failed to engage the tremendous resources and talent of the Personal Computer industry, our nation's most competitive and innovative business. The tremendous growth of the Internet and the World Wide Web will only make it's way into the wireless arena if proposals like the one advanced by Apple are accepted. It would be a tragedy in the extreme if rules are put in place biased towards the deployment of traditional voice telephony services.

Yours truly,

William A. Frezza  
President

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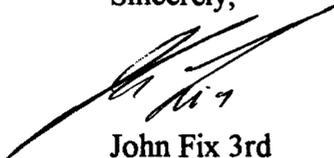
Re: Petition RM-8653

I am writing today to express my support for petition RM-8653 submitted to the FCC by Apple Computer. The proposed frequency allocation will benefit small to mid-sized businesses like mine, who have a need for affordable, flexible wireless communication.

Please approve Apple's proposed frequency allocation, and keep a portion of the broadcast/communications spectrum available for "free" use by the American people.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



John Fix 3rd  
Owner

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Apple NII Petition  
Re: RM-8653.

Dear William Caton,

I respectfully request that you grant this Apple NII Petition for the sake of the people. As a citizen of the United States, I agree with this petition--that the FCC turn over 300 MHz of the Broadcast Spectrum in the 5 GHz range to the public for its own free use without auction or payment in money, trade, goods or labor.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Leilani Wright

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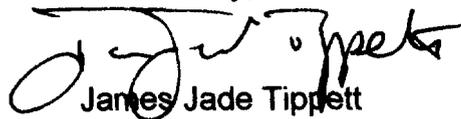
Dear Secretary Canton:

I am writing to express my support of Apple Computer's petition to allocate a portion of the upper telecommunications spectrum to unrestricted public use. For too long, the Federal Government has staked its claim to our natural resources and environmental bandwidth and then auctioned them off to corporate exploiters with no thought to the public freedom upon which this country was founded.

I fully support the reserving of 300 MHz of upper bandwidth space for unrestricted public use.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
James Jade Tippett

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