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Subject: Case # RM-8653

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I just came upon an article outlining Apple Computer's proposal regarding enlarging opportunities for radio transmissions from personal computers. From what I understand about the issue, I feel this proposal has some merit and hope it is further considered by you folks. Thanks.

Carl Ragel

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Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M St., NW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: RM-8653

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Sir:

I am writing in regards to the proposed Rule Making RM-8653.

This appears to be a decision of major consequence and unfortunately, hardly anyone in the group of people that would be affected knows about it to comment. I just heard about it this weekend in a newspaper article.

Even though the comment period is closed, I would like to say that I strongly support the use of a part of the electromagnetic spectrum for Internet computer networking. This is such an obvious and beautiful idea that I am amazed it is just now coming up.

While I understand the cable and telecommunications industry's desire to block this proposal, the obvious decision must be in the public's interest - to allow such use of the airwaves. I think this decision will be a litmus test to see who the United States Government is really serving. Please decide this issue in favor of the American public and grant the spectrum to this use without auctioning it to the telecommunications industry.

The telecommunications industry would like to tie up and parcel out access to the Internet and this must not be allowed to happen. In an information society, access to information must be kept free.

Benefits to the government alone will be huge. By using radio to network, no cables will need to be installed in schools and public buildings - a huge monetary savings for the government.

In sum, please continue to accept comments on this issue and please decide to grant free use to all for this purpose instead of government auction.

Sincerely,



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