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Reply Comments On Fourth Notice Of Proposed Rule Making And Third Notice Of Inquiry  
(MM Docket No. 87--268, FCC 95--315)

In my comments dated November 6, 1990, in this proceeding, I referred to my earlier comments (Second Notice, 8/14/92). Again, here, I would like to summarize these comments.

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Specifically, that in a small state (Delaware) such as mine, adjacent to a large metropolitan area, there will be no TV service of any kind, if all the spectrum is taken by ATV in these metropolitan areas. Thus, in the most populous portion of Delaware, my station (W55BT) will be eliminated.

Further, I have proposed a foreign language operation for Camden, NJ (W68CV), since this area has a diverse ethnic population. However, if current proposals are implemented, this project will never come to fruition (the channel will be eliminated).

In addition, I commented that if the ATV repacking and recovery of spectrum idea is implemented, there will, in fact, be no future ATV stations for growing communities. The reason is that, given current proposals, once each of the current NTSC stations receive an ATV channel, these ATV channels will then be repositioned, and any remaining spectrum 'sold off.'

Also, I concur with the comments of J.C. Damon, K06MJ, Flagstaff, AZ, William B. Klaus, Media-Com Television, Inc., and Jerry Zumwalt, KNAV-LP, Corsicana, and K41AK, Fairfield, TX., namely

(1) that LPTV is a legitimate service, was created by the FCC, allowed to grow, and should now not be closed down

(2) that when LPTV was granted secondary status, it was not contemplated to eliminate it

(3) that secondary status should not be the same as no status, and that LPTV operators should be allowed to obtain HDTV channels after eligible broadcasters, but before the spectrum is thrown open to the general public.

Sincerely,

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