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The people running this website have no idea what they are talking about. We are talking about trading More valuable spectrum for less valuable spectrum so that we may better serve the American public. All of this at great expense to our buisness without reasonable hope of ever recovering our investment. We do this because it is necessary to continue to provide a quality service in the digital age. Broadcasters are in buisness to make money and there is no shame in that. We are licensed to operate in the public intrest and we sell our advertisers the chance to have there product or service seen in the context of that public service. Regaurdless of the claims made by some people the truth is free over the air television WILL cease to exist in the event of spectrum auctions.

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I would like to comment on Mass Media Docket No. 87-268.

I produce a radio show and also work with public television commenting on issues of technology and its applications to manufacturing.

My comment is brief. My experience in the media suggests that broadcasters must have an obligation to the public in exchange for the use of the public airwaves. Thus I strongly support defining the broadcasters' public interest obligations before they receive their digital licenses.

Sincerely yours

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I am commenting on Mass Media Docket No. 87-268. I strongly support defining broadcasters' public interest obligations before they receive their digital licenses. The transition to digital television must serve the public interest first and foremost, or we run the risk of the consumers being taken advantage of by corporate interests intent solely on making money.

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