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April 28, 1998

Mr. William F. Caton, Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 2054

Re: Amendment of Part 73, Subparts
A, B, and C of the Commission's
Rules to designate one AM and
FM Channel for microradio
broadcasting service for the
purpose of providing localized
and/or specialized broadcast
service to the public.
Report No. 2254, RM 9208

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-captioned proceeding, are an original and nine copies of Comments of Henry Mayfield on the Notice of Proposed Rule Making for an AM and FM Channel for microradio broadcasting service. My computer crashed yesterday. As a consequence, I am filing a day late. I would appreciate you crediting me with yesterday's filing date.

Please contact me if you have any questions about filing.

Sincerely,



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THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of:)
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) PUBLIC NOTICE
Pleading cycle established for) REPORT NO. 2254
Comments on Petition For)
Rulemaking To Amend Part 73,) RM 9208
Subparts A, B and C of Commission's)
Rules to designate one AM and FM)
Channel for a microradio)
broadcasting service for the purpose)
of providing localized and/or)
specialized broadcast service to the)
public.)

To: The Commission

COMMENTS RE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

1. Mr. Henry Mayfield, "I", hereby submit comments to Public Notice, Report No. 2254, Rulemaking No. 9208, released February 5, 1998 in the above captioned-proceeding. In this proceeding, Nickolaus E. Legget and Donald J. Schellhardt, Esq, "Petitioner," proposes the establishment of an affordable microstation radio broadcasting service that will provide additional outlets of broadcast information, services, and entertainment. Each microstation is very low power amplitude modulation (AM) or frequency modulation (FM) radio station that would transmit in the appropriate broadcast band.

A microstation would serve an area of one to several square miles, making it ideal for coverage of a single small municipality or even a small neighborhood of a larger municipality.

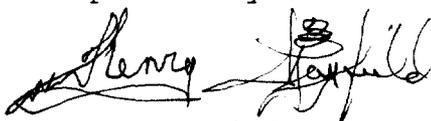
2. I am an African American engineer, former mathematics professor, and one of three petitioner's to file an Informal Petition to Deny the assignment of Noncommercial Educational Radio Broadcast Station WDCU (FM), Washington, DC from the University of the District of Columbia (UDC) to National Cable Satellite Corporation D/B/A C-SPAN. Accordingly, I have the background and experience to assess this petition.

3. I support the petition to create microstations, however, it is a subset of the one for Low Power FM (LPFM) Broadcast Service (RM 9242). Accordingly, I propose that the Commission implement very restrictive rules for ownership, control, and assignment of licenses as well as the flexibility for licensees to increase the coverage area by interconnecting with other licensees.

4. In summary, since this petition is a subset of the one for LPFM Broadcast Service (RM 9242), I propose that the Commission combine them. Finally, I propose that the Commission provide very restrictive rules for ownership, control, and assignment of licenses as well as the flexibility for licensees to increase the coverage area by interconnecting with other licensees.

Date: April 27, 1998

Respectively submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry Mayfield". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent horizontal stroke at the end.

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