

Dear Secretary,

I am writing this letter because of my great concern regarding the proposal by LMCC (FORM-9267) to acquire what is now a portion of the 70 cm ham band.

The 70 cm ham band is my main band of interest and operation in amateur ^{radio} and I have a sizeable investment both in 70 cm equipment and time. The 70 cm ham band is important to the amateur community due to simplex, duplex operation through repeaters, control links for repeaters, and a great deal of experimentation. I sincerely hope that none of the current 70 cm ham frequencies are lost to the commercial interests of the Land Mobile Communications Council.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Colin R. Martin KE4VAH

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RM# 9267

Secretary, FCC
1919 M. St. NW
Wash. DC, 20554

RE: P. 28-31
Amateur Radio
Services

To whom it may concern;

I've recently heard about the possible plans to steal the 440 mhz Ham band, to give to commercial two-way services. I think this is a really bad idea!

I'm AC6DN, and Ham (Amateur) radio is not just a hobby, it's a passion! I use regularly the 10, 6, 2m, 70cm (440 mhz) and 1300 mhz bands (usly ~~EA~~ NBFM (FDE)). ~~EA~~ For me and Ham Radio, the 440 (420-450) mhz, 70 cm band, is ~~EA~~ 2nd most popular/used, band. I don't use 2m, the most popular/used, band, as much, I use 440 mhz more. Why can't you give them first crack at 512 or 800 mhz as it becomes available (HDTV), or other frequencies...

The 70cm band is regularly used (reg. use, special events, and disasters (inc. other emergencies)). I've volunteered hundreds of hours during the floods, ect. Hundreds of hours maintaining ~~pts~~, etc.

The 440 band is too heavily used to share, w/o interference. We Ham's provide a valuable service ^{to the public} for which we don't charge anything.

If you have any questions, feel free to E-mail me at AC6DN@ham-radio.com.

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to you about the proposal of RM-9267 by the I MCC. The idea of taking 2/3 of the 420-450 MHz band is absurd. The 70cm band is a valuable asset to the amateur radio community in many ways.

These frequencies are used amateur radio to provide emergency, public service, and public interest communications. By this petition to reallocate 420-430/440-450 MHz to PMRS, the amateur radio community will not be able to provide such services in emergencies, as they do now, in the future.

Thank You
John Leal
K0SAMP

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RM-9267

Federal Communications Commission
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May 19, 1998

Floyd R. Nicholson
15239 E. Cullen St.
Whittier, Ca. 90603

As a licensed Amateur Radio operator I want to go on record as being strongly opposed to the petition under consideration, RM-9267 affecting the Amateur radio frequencies of 420 MHz to 430 MHz and 440 MHz to 450 MHz.

RM-9267 proposes that the land mobile service would become primary instead of the US government and the Amateur radio service would remain secondary. I feel that this would not work, as Amateur radio and land mobile service could not co-exist on the same frequencies in most of the United States.

The above Amateur radio frequencies are vital to public service.

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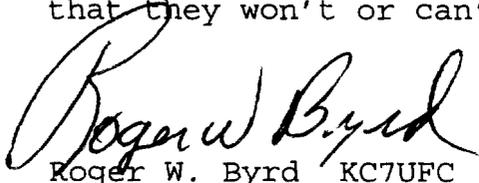
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Ref: RM 9267

FCC;

As an Amateur Radio operator, licensed KC7UFC, I want to give my objection to RM 9267. I use the 440 MHZ band all the time to get into our repeater, Why? because of the intermod on the 2 meter band caused by the pager community. To loose this band would force me to move, stop using my equipment, or listen to intermod all day.

Please do not give our 440Mhz band away, We provide a service that they won't or can't. Please do not bend to the big money.


Roger W. Byrd KC7UFC

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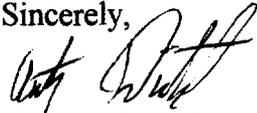
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Subject: RM 9267

I am concerned that passage of RM 9267 will harm the ability of the Ham operator to provide emergency service, search and rescue, marathons etc. Without the use of these frequencies, it will be very difficult for the Amateur Radio Operator to provide the services that many depend on in times of need. If this bill is passed, it would also hinder the growth and future of Amateur Radio, as would the loss of any of the amateur bands. With these issues in mind, please consider abolishing RM 9267.

Sincerely,



Anthony M. Dienstel
KC7TWU

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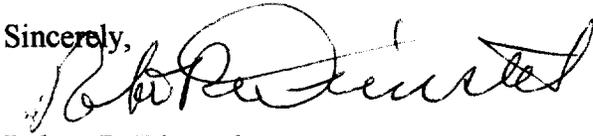
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I have recently become aware of a request by the Land Mobile Communications Council to reallocate various frequencies for their profit making ventures. Some of these frequencies are in use by various non-profit and public service organizations. I am writing to voice my concerns about their request.

Specifically, I am extremely concerned about the 420 – 450 MHz band. As you are aware, this band is in use throughout the United States by FCC licensed Amateur Radio Operators. This band is extremely popular in the United States and represents a vital portion of the Amateur Radio community's spectrum. It is utilized for various Public Service purposes, including organized emergency communications during earthquakes, storms, floods and other natural disasters, as well as personal communications.

Amateur radio operators rely on this band to assist various government agencies with their efforts, and have invested millions of dollars of personal funds in equipment for this band. Any change to this band will negatively impact our ability to provide public service and could render our financial and personal investments worthless.

I strongly oppose any changes as requested by the Land Mobile Communications Council and ask that their profit-oriented request be denied.

Sincerely,

George J. Swayer KA3HNM
Your Name, Call HERE

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As I look at the vast "Radio Spectrum" I only see very small dots designated for Amateur Radio use. Surely, this minimal group of frequencies cannot mean that much to any organization other than the public citizens of America. Amateur Radio has been the largest group of volunteers to pioneer the use of this radio spectrum, not only in technical development, but also in training a "ready group" of semi-professional operators.

The (450mhz) 70cm band of Amateur Radio is the second most popular band of frequencies, saturated with simplex and repeater connections, linking the Gulf Coast of Texas to/thru Austin to the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex and on to West Texas. Any tampering with the allocations of these frequencies will certainly jeopardize the Public Service that can and has been rendered in time of Gulf Coast Hurricanes and local 'weather watches' in conjunction with the National Weather Service for the Tornado Warning System.

Any one replacing the use of these frequencies must be responsible for a complete reimbursement to each Amateur Radio Operator for his/her replacement of equipment for other frequencies, and assume the responsibility to organize a complete Weather Warning System as it is now organized by Amateur Radio.

I would like to go on record as being bitterly opposed to any tampering with these frequencies now and any time in the future.

Name: John R. Pickle
Call: WAGUFG
Address: 604 Tenth Dr
Town, State, and zip Granbury TX 76048

I am a member of the Hurst Amateur Radio Club, who operates the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service in conjunction with the City of Hurst and Tarrant County.

Signed: JRPickle

c: Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison,
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Re: No On RM 9267

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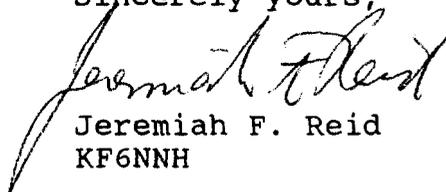
My amateur radio call sign is KF6NNH. I am writing to urge you to reject the "demand" for reallocation of 70 centimeter spectrum to private commercial use.

While no amateur likes to lose any of the spectrum currently available to us, we have a particular reason for objecting to this commercial demand. Many of us are members of volunteer organizations such as ARES and RACES, which regularly respond to requests for communication assistance in times of local disaster. In such cases, we provide backup communications for local government agencies and set up radio communications between the scene of the disaster and local area hospitals which have agreed to receive and treat the victims of such disasters.

I am a reserve deputy sheriff for the San Diego County Sheriffs Department. We rely on RACES personal and their amateur frequencies during serious emergencies such as large regional fires, because the amateur operators are a link to other agencies and to the civilian population.

Our ability to safely support these activities will be seriously damaged if RM 9267 is approved. I therefore respectfully request that you deny this request.

Sincerely yours,


Jeremiah F. Reid
KF6NNH

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Town: _____, Texas

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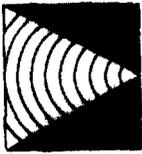
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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
 Secretary, FCC
 Room 222
 1919 M Street, NW.
 Washington, DC. 20554

Subject: LMCC Petition for Rulemaking (RM-9267)

Dear Ms. Salas,

This letter is in regards to support the Petition for Rule Making filed by the LMCC seeking new spectrum allocations for private wireless users. We applaud the FCC for quickly placing the petition on public notice.

Our company is very interested in this proceeding. Our company is located in Tampa, Fl. and has been in business for the last 7 years and employ 16 people. We are a two-way radio dealer and provide service within West Central Florida.

The lack of private wireless spectrum in the 150MHz, 450MHz, 800MHz, and 900MHz bands have effected our ability to put new customers on the frequencies and has effected our current customers because the frequencies are busy. We have had to turn new customers down because there is not enough frequencies.

There will be many benefits to my company with new spectrum being added. We will be able to accommodate more customers and be able to satisfy our current customers more effectively.

I am urging the FCC to address these issues quickly as the problems associated with the lack of spectrum are increasing.

Sincerely,

Carlton C. Cozart

CCC/mw

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DEAR SECRETARY,

I AM OPPOSING RM-9267.

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Washington, D.C. 20554

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Amateur Radio operators in Southern California can continue to be a vital communications resource to the public during emergencies and disasters if RM-9267 is not approved.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Anderson

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Frank Newton
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May 22, 1998

Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Washington DC, 20554.
Attn: RM 9267

Greetings,

I will not make this overly long, as I know there will be many others with well thought out comments. I would however like to bring out a few points that may be missed by the average Amateur Radio Operator.

The 420-450 MHz band is the second most used frequency area in the Amateur VHF/UHF spectrum. Virtually all repeater control operations are done here. In addition, there is much activity in Moon Bounce, Meteor Scatter, Weak Signal work, and other various operations in the low end. Satellite Communications abound in the middle, and a very large amount of FM simplex and repeater occupy the upper end.

This frequency range is shared with the military, and Amateur operations are secondary to Military operations. I can assure you that the military is very active in this part of the spectrum in the area of Fort Bliss/White Sands Missile Range (WSMR). We have a very good relationship with the Fort Bliss Frequency Monitor office. In fact, several of our 440 range repeaters are specifically channeled to eliminate any possible problems between Ft. Bliss/WSMR and the local hams.

In addition, the previous loss of the 220-222 MHz band FORCED the Amateur community to move much of our high speed digital linking to the 420-450 spectrum. As an Army MARS operator, I also use the 420-450 area for local communications between other MARS members passing traffic to our state High Frequency (HF) Gateway station. The loss of our UHF spectrum would leave us with one repeater pair on the already over-crowded VHF band. This would virtually stop the smooth traffic flow from our non-HF members. Although grateful for the frequencies that we do have access to, many in the Amateur Community feel we were given a raw deal on the 220-222 MHz frequency loss, which UPS never did develop into what it was taken for. Please hear our plea. Thank you for your time.

Michael P. Olbrisch.
KD9KC/AAV6EV

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WESTERN INTERTIE NETWORK

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Secretary
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RE: RM 9267

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The 420 to 450 MHz amateur radio UHF band is the second most popular of the amateur radio services' VHF and UHF allocations. There are thousands of FM repeaters operating daily from 440 to 450 MHz, and a variety of modes on the air every day in the 420 to 430 MHz segment, including thousands of point to point links, and a very mature amateur television fraternity.

We at the Western Intertie Network (the WIN System) presently operate five high level UHF repeaters in the 440 to 450 MHz segment, covering from Southern Arizona to Central California, including all of the seven Counties of Southern California. We also operate ten point to point full duplex links.

Our group, the WIN System, has been affiliated with the San Diego County RACES emergency preparedness organization for years, and because of our wide area coverage, we have been able to handle innumerable pieces of emergency traffic during three major fires and two major earth quakes. It is impossible to estimate how many lives we have directly touched during emergencies, however, I am certain we have been a major communications force during these times of emergencies.

The WIN System also routinely operates many of our repeaters for public safety missions. Several times each year WIN System repeaters are used to handle communications at various Marathons, 10K runs, Bicycle Events, and Special Olympics Events for the handicapped. These public service communications activities would be impossible to achieve without the 440 MHz amateur band "wide area coverage" repeaters operated by the WIN System, and donated to public service.

We therefore strongly urge you to deny the demands of the LMCC. We as amateur radio operators continue to provide the above services free to the public. There is never a charge for either the 440 MHz repeater equipment, or the operators who donate their time and expertise during these times of public service. I do not think the LMCC would likewise provide such services free to the public. Their agenda is to make a profit from these frequencies, not to serve the public, free of charge, as is the amateur credo.

Sincerely,



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Secretary, FCC,
Washington DC, 20554

Subject: RM 9267

I protest RM 9267 to reallocate the frequencies that we use in storm spotting for the National Weather Service here in Oklahoma. This would mean that direct link for Storm Spotting would be lost between our Spotters and the National Weather Service. This would effect the early warning abilities for Tornados and Severe Weather as it moves through our communities and Towns.

Comments:

Here in the State of Oklahoma we use many repeaters linked from the 2 Meters to 440 MHZ to help with storm spotting. This would be impossible, to hold this link system without the ability to work the two bands together. The National Weather Service in Norman Oklahoma, some 160 miles from us, is the warning system for Severe Weather which comes through so often here in the State of Oklahoma. Here in Northwest Oklahoma is only one of the several links that is linked to Norman in the State to watch Severe Weather.

Thank you
David E. Schwin

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SECRETARY
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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GREETING:

I OPPOSE RM9267.

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Washington, D.C. 20554

With reference to : An Allocation of Spectrum for Private Mobile Radio Services RM-9267

To: The Secretary

I am writing in opposition to the Land Mobile Communications Council's proposal to re-allocate the 420-430 MHz and 440-450 MHz frequency spectrum to commercial, private, land mobile applications. Instead, I ask that the Commission change the Amateur allocation from secondary to co-primary with the U.S. government. Prior to the Cold War era, the Amateur Radio Service was a primary status user of these frequencies. With the tremendous success of the modern "no code" Technician license and the high growth of Amateur UHF operations, now is the time to restore Amateur Radio's historic primary status within the 420-450 MHz band.

The 420-450 MHz Amateur allocation is the second most used Amateur VHF/UHF band. The LMCC has requested "sharing" this band with Amateur operations yet provides no explanation for how "sharing" might occur. Based on the history of "sharing" with commercial services (particularly the example of AVL companies "sharing" 902-928 MHz who ordered hams off the air), "sharing" means that Amateur operations will be evicted from the band. This is what happens when commercial, for-profit services "share" with not-for-profit, community service oriented Amateur Radio operations.

Amateur Radio has and will continue to share its VHF/UHF allocations with *mutually compatible* services and operations. These have included, the U.S. government, the U.S. military, NOAA doppler wind shear radar and other government radiolocation services. Amateur Radio has a long and proud history of supporting the U.S. armed forces and NOAA through the National Weather Service's skywarn system. For these reasons, there is a *mutual interest in sharing between compatible services* like Amateur Radio and the U.S. government. However, there are *no mutual interests* in common with for-profit private land mobile services; "sharing", as in the AVL example, will result in the loss of 420-430 and 440-450 MHz by the Amateur service, which will prove devastating to the mission of the Amateur Radio service.

Many government agencies and non-profit disaster relief organizations would be tremendously harmed by the loss of the Amateur 420-430 and 440-450 MHz allocations.

Private and for-profit radio services do not have mutually compatible interests with the Amateur Radio Service. Sharing between private land mobile and the Amateur Radio Service, as proposed by the LMCC, will not work. The 420-450 MHz band is the second most used VHF/UHF Amateur Radio allocation. The loss of these frequencies will cause severe disruption to the mission of Amateur Radio, as specified in C.F.R. Title 47 Part 97. 1, and will render severe harm to the Amateur's ability to support numerous government and non-profit relief agencies.

I respectfully request that you DENY the request of the LMCC to share the Amateur radio allocations at 420-430 and 440-450 MHz. Instead, I request that the Commission restore Amateur Radio's historic co-primary status in the entire 420-450 Mhz band.

Sincerely,

B. E. Tolson
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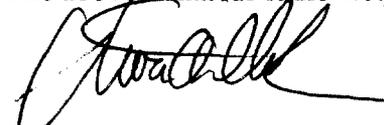
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As a licensed Amateur Radio operator I want to go on record as being strongly opposed to the petition under consideration, RM-9267 affecting the Amateur radio frequencies of 420 MHz to 430 MHz and 440 MHz to 450 MHz.

RM-9267 proposes that the land mobile service would become primary instead of the US government and the Amateur radio service would remain secondary. I feel that this would not work, as Amateur radio and land mobile service could not co-exist on the same frequencies in most of the United States.

The above Amateur radio frequencies are vital to public service.



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Federal Communications Commission
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Ref: RM-9267

Dear Commission:

As a licensed Amateur Radio operator I want to go on record as being strongly against the petition under consideration, RM-9267.

I am active on many Amateur Radio frequencies that promote the public welfare through emergency, disaster and public service communications. The frequencies stated in RM-9267, (420 MHz to 430 MHz and 440 MHz to 450 MHz) are very important to our continued success in serving the public through our work. These frequency band segments include important linking, control, amateur television and repeater systems that are used daily in Southern California.

Amateur Radio has proven to be a successful secondary user to the military radar operations on these frequency bands. RM-9267 contains no technical solutions to prove that Amateur Radio users could continue to use these bands without serious interference if land mobile communications become the primary user.

Amateur Radio operators in Southern California can continue to be a vital communications resource to the public during emergencies and disasters if RM-9267 is not approved.

Sincerely,

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