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RM-9247

Honorable Secretary:

It is with much distress that I read of the recent proposal before the FCC concerning possible reallocation of parts of the 70 cm amateur radio band. While selling these portions for commercial usage may provide a substantial monetary gain, it would be greatly offset by an even more valuable asset loss.

For years, the amateur radio community has provided emergency communications in this country in a wide variety of disaster situations. The 70 cm band is of vital importance in establishing local emergency communications, both in its own right and as linkage for

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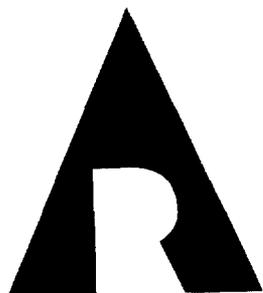
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two meter repeaters. We must not let monetary gain overshadow this extremely important service. Ask any Red Cross volunteer across the country what they think of the communications established by amateur radio operators in emergency situations. Then ask if that service can be replaced by cellular phones. I think not.

Respectfully submitted
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Federal Communications Commission
Attn: Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary, FCC
Room 222
1919 M. Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear FCC:

We would like to express our support for the Petition for Rule Making filed by LMCC seeking new spectrum allocations for private wireless users. We thank you for speaking to this important issue promptly

We are located in Bay City, Michigan and provide sales and service support to over 2000 businesses that use private wireless systems. We have been in business for 50 years, employ 20 people and use private wireless ourselves to operate our business.

Of the four bands of spectrum allocated to private service, all are full in our area and present customers can not expand their systems as their businesses grow. This includes everyone from agriculture to colleges to manufacturing. Many businesses are making due with overcrowded systems with no option for expansion. This issue negatively impacts productivity and employee safety.

Some can use the new public wireless systems but many can not do so because of poor coverage in buildings. Many of the new systems such as cellular, PCS and Nextel do not offer the same kind of functions used in business. One important function used by many businesses is a man-down system, which informs the dispatcher of a person losing consciousness. Business systems, unlike public systems, are tailor made to deal with individual business problems.

These businesses are languishing and trying to compete in world markets with no RF resources available to help them stay competitive. We need help and would urge that the FCC promptly address this issue.

Sincerely,

Anderson Radio, Inc.
Dennis Louchart, President

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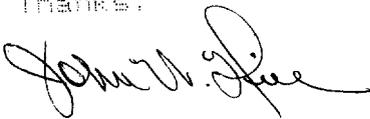
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May 25, 1998

Dear Sir:

I strongly oppose RM9267, because I am an Amateur Radio Operator. I think if things keep going we will not have any Ham Operator Bands left to talk on. Of course it would not matter to business people who want to take more of the Amateur Bands. We do lots of community service for people in our area. We also do weather watches and emergency communications for the American Red Cross. We need the 440 mhz. Band to be left as it is for HAM Operators.

Thanks:



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May 29, 1998

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary, FCC
Room 222
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Dear Ms. Salas,

We are filing in support of the Petition of Rule Making filed by the LMCC seeking new spectrum allocations for private wireless users.

We have been involved with mobile communications for over 30 years and employ 28 people. Since Nextel has purchased all of the 800 spectrum in our area, we no longer have any channels available for new customers. All of the existing spectrum is extremely congested due to our proximity to New York City. Most of our customers require low cost local dispatch service, not the wide area coverage offered by Nextel.

Additional 150 MHz, 450 MHz, 800 MHz & 900 MHz spectrum is desperately needed, without auctions, if two-way business is to survive. People should have a choice of the type of communications they choose to operate, not what the giants like Nextel force them to buy.

We urge you to act on this petition, there are thousands of businesses like ours, and hundreds of thousands of end users who are impacted.

Cc: Senator Lieberman

Sincerely,



Edward L. Abrams
President

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I am an amateur radio operator who frequently uses the 70cm bands to communicate. I thoroughly disagree with taking away the 70cm bands from the amateur operators for other uses. I enjoy using the band and would hate to see it taken away.

Thank you,
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