

Before the

Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of
Proposal for Creation of the Low Power FM
(LPFM) Broadcast Service
FCC RM-9242

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To: Federal Communications Commission

Reply-Comments of Richard R. Sating

I am writing to communicate my vigorous support for the power levels listed in RM-9242.

The LPFM station, 96.9 "The Grid", is the most valuable addition to the Cleveland Ohio radio dial in several years. 96.9 provides countless hours of listening pleasure as I drive through the city. This small independently owned station, like public TV, is able to offer innovative programming that commercial radio stations are unwilling or unable to deliver, and is an absolutely essential asset to our city. I personally listen to 96.9 more than all other stations combined during broadcast hours. I support the power levels listed in RM-9242 to make room for new independently owned LPFM stations like 96.9.

Although concerns exist regarding minimal areas of interference arising from LPFM stations, I feel that the positive benefits of LPFM stations far outweigh any concern. Therefore, the 2nd adjacent channel restrictions should be deleted to provide frequencies for LPFM. The presence of hundreds of already existing full-power short-spaced grandfathered stations stands as proof that there can be some compromise. Those who argue otherwise are only fearful of competition from LPFM alternative choices.

It is my sincere hope that the FCC serve this taxpayer by providing whatever technical and engineering support it can contribute to ownership of LPFM radio stations to insure the success of these stations and to safeguard their contribution to our community. The FCC should actively promote the availability of these taxpayer funded services to the LPFM community and offer this service with a smile.

Sincerely,


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