



March 15, 2016

The Honorable Thomas Wheeler, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 13-249, "In the Matter of Revitalization of
the AM Radio Service"

Dear Mr. Chairman,

The AFC North Champion Cincinnati Bengals have a strong and proud fan base throughout Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, West Virginia, and beyond. We connect with our fans across numerous platforms, among which broadcast radio (particularly our flagship station WCKY in Cincinnati) remains a vital link towards ensuring that Ohioans and our fans have quality access to Bengals coverage.

I have seen press reports that the FCC might pass new rules that could liberalize standards for interfering with AM stations, and particularly WCKY. I hope this direction is abandoned and that quality broadcasts on stations like WCKY continue to be offered to the public. With NFL games being broadcast live and with broadcast radio being critical to sports fans across the nation, special sensitivity would seem appropriate on this issue.

We are proud of our great fans and we know they rely heavily on the quality broadcasts on WCKY. We ask the FCC not to adopt any rules that might result in sports fans losing the quality of radio broadcasts.

I thank you in advance for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vice President