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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
1919 M Street, Room 222, NW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MM Docket 95-25

Dear Mr. Secretary:

In reference to the FCC proposal to license low power FM radio stations, I would hope that my comments would be considered as in the past with regard to the Docket 80-90, which also created a number of new FM broadcast frequencies several years ago; (first page enclosed).

I believe the LP 1000-watt class of stations could provide wonderful service to smaller communities. I would like to see any local AM daytime only station receive a preference when assigning these frequencies. An assignment of a low power FM independent of a local AM daytimer would greatly damage the AM's ability to stay in business.

Spacing requirements for any low power service must be such as not to interfere with existing full service FM stations. Full Service FM Stations must not be damaged technically with the authorization of any new low power FM service.

It is also my opinion that any new low power FM service should adhere to any and all FCC rules and regulations as pertaining to community service, common decency and technical quality.

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I can see the public being served with 100-watt lower power FM stations in certain small community applications, but I feel strongly that no 10-watt FM stations be allocated. If everybody in America can own a 10-watt FM radio station, just like owning a CB radio, then utter chaos will exist on the FM dial.

Sincerely,


Fred Randall Hughey
President & General Manager

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Enclosure

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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In the Matter of)
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Modification of FM Broadcast) BC Docket No. 80-90
Station Rules to Increase the) RM-2587
Availability of Commercial) RM-3226
FM Broadcast Assignments.) RM-3367

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE MAKING

Adopted: February 28, 1980 ; Released: March 14, 1980

By the Commission: Chairman Ferris issuing a separate statement; Commissioner Lee absent; Commissioner Brown concurring and issuing a statement.

1. The Commission has before it three petitions for rule making seeking changes in the FM allocation rules to permit additional channel assignments. These petitions were filed by George W. Phillips of Laurinburg Broadcasting Company ("Laurinburg" RM-2587), Serge Bergen ("Bergen" RM-3226), 1/ and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration ("NTIA" RM-3367). 2/ This Notice addresses the requests contained in those petitions, proposes specific changes in the FM assignment rules, and seeks comments on them. In an associate item to be before the Commission in

1/ We have received comments in response to the Laurinburg and Bergen petitions from Thomas C. Smith of Schofield, Wisconsin; South Cobb Broadcasting Co. of Austell, Georgia, and Carroll-Haralson Radio, Inc. of Bremen, Georgia; Mr. Hughey of Tallassee, Alabama; and Cherokee Broadcasting Co. of Murphy, North Carolina. Several letters were also received from various persons expressing interest or support. A separate request was made by Cherokee Broadcasting Company to consolidate the two petitions for joint consideration which we have done herein. ✓

2/ Formal comments responding to the NTIA petition were received from American Broadcasting Companies, Inc.; National Association of Broadcasters; National Radio Broadcasters Association; McKenna, Wilkinson and Kittner, on behalf of its radio broadcast clients; Institute of High Fidelity, Inc.; Muzak, a division of Teleprompter Corp. Letters were submitted by various interested persons and groups. Each of the comments were helpful in our analysis of the proposals. However, for the most part, the filings concern matters which we have not included for consideration herein. See paragraph 8, infra.