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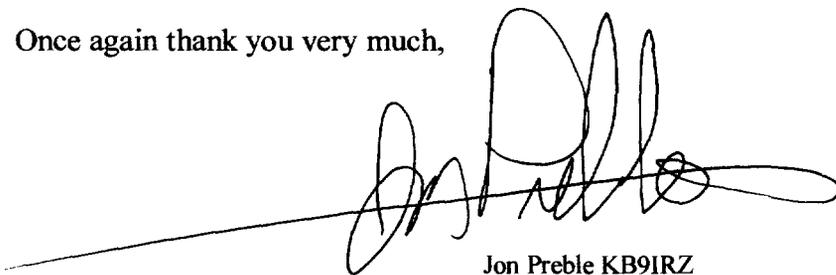
To the main office of the Federal Communication Commission in care of William Kennard;

For the past few years you and your colleagues have been suggesting a review of the licenses for amateur radio operators. I would like to know your plans and when the review is to occur. I believe that the review is way over due and that it would be a major concern.

Personally I think one of the major changes that need to be made is an expansion of the novice bands. With the introduction of the Internet people have started to discover that it is an easier way to talk to people from all corners of the earth. To use voice to talk out side of the United States generally, you need the General license. This is a change that is going to make the hobby of amateur radio keep its popularity. And not have it go down as an old past time, rather as a great learning experience and a life time of fun to be enjoyed by future generations.

I am grateful for the time that you have taken out to read this letter. I hope to have the opportunity to hear your opinions of these two issues.

Once again thank you very much,



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