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I think anything that would encourage media consolidation would not be in the interests of the American People. I think much what is broadcast on radio and television is waste of the time. Television news is joke and often patently unfair. We need more variety not less.
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Subject: Consider The Needs Of Children!

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FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps

Dear FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps,

I was disappointed to learn that the FCC is pursuing a major policy initiative in the area of its media ownership rules without first considering how such rule changes will affect children.

Children consume almost five and a half hours of media per day. There is no question that media plays a powerful role in the lives of our nation's children, having the ability to educate and inform children's attitudes, behaviors, and understanding of the world in both positive and negative ways.

The outcomes of FCC decisions could carry high stakes for children. Before making any regulatory changes to existing media ownership rules, the FCC must consider how children will be affected.

I urge the FCC to address the needs of children in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Wilson
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From: Mary Regier
To: Michael Copps
Date: 12/3/02 12:59AM
Subject: Merging media

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Dear Mr. Copps:

Regarding allowing a company to have more than one kind of media in a market:

Please consider a proviso that a company can have such a conglomeration if there is another such conglomeration in the same market--if Company A merges TV, radio, and newspaper sources then there must be a Company B that merges TV, radio, and newspaper. This would bring competition and also a second newspaper to markets that lost it long ago.

Respectfully,

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From: darkryde@earthlink.net
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Subject: media ownership

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Dear Mr. Copps,

Dear Mr. Powell,

Hello, my name is Marc Shank. I am a graphic designer at one of the largest public relations firms in the world and deal with the media on a daily basis. Since I live in Kansas City, I will not be able to attend the Richmond, VA public hearing regarding media ownership, so I would like to voice my short opinion here. Please note that this is a personal opinion and does not reflect or represent the opinion of my company or its affiliates.

My short opinion on this matter is that loosening restrictions on media ownership will allow companies such as Viacom to dominate and monopolize what we hear, view, and read. Plus, these companies would have the ability to greatly sway the economy, since radio stations would be forced to only play music by artists signed to the record companies these media giants own, boosting their album sales. (As it is, the top 40 being played on radio stations now consists of only 12 to 20 songs)

Small independent radio stations will suffer from these mergers

Please do not loosen regulations and let these large companies dominate what information is accessible to the public.

Freedom of speech and freedom of information are staples of America, however they cannot exist or be validated without the freedom of diversity.

Thank you for your time.

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