

Media Concentration: reply to public comments

I am writing to you today to reply to the public comments on Docket No.02-277, The Biennial Review of the FCC's broadcast media ownership rules. To promote competition, diversity and local content, the FCC should retain the current media ownership rules and impose stricter public interest requirements.

The air waves belong to the citizens of this country. It is the mandated responsibility of the FCC TO PROTECT THE AIR WAVES FOR AMERICANS CITIZENS!

The FCC is in violation of its function by allowing deregulation to occur in order that large corporations, such as Clear Channel, possess the air waves. Such corporations will destroy the uniqueness that only locally owned and operated stations can provide to listeners. The radio plays a very critical part in providing "community" for the people that they serve.

KFOG in SF sponsors a great deal of public events--designed to bring people in our area together. They also have local movie, sports, and TV critics as well as live performances by local artists. Their choice of music is determined by local DJs that live in this area and who know what many people enjoy listening to.

KMEL, USED TO REPRESENT a large segment of community in the Bay Area. Now they are owned by the Clear Channel.

We Americans don't want our air waves turned into one huge, ugly Wal Mart!! We Americans don't want one type of news reporting, or political brainwashing (as the people in North Korea suffer from!).

FCC COMMISSIONERS, FULL FILL YOUR MANDATE TO SERVE THE PUBLIC, WE AMERICANS, WE CITIZENS-PROTECT OUR AIR WAVES FROM CORPORATE DOMINATION!

Sincerely,
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