

i am a musician in a heavy metal band with some local radio stationairplay
i have been playing for almost 20 years and been on 5 independently released
albums, my current band is unsigned, we average 1 show per week in our
connecting states area, we have a good fan base in our area

our local radio being corperately controlled is very difficult to get
airtime on. one local station has recently started a nightly feature that
plays one song by a different local or unsigned band per night. we have been
featured on this once and have had many requestes for our song since the
initial airing inwhich the station has played our song a few times but only
after 11 p.m., the station is a commercial station,100.1 fm
columbia/jefferson city mo., local artist arent played on the local stations
because they are corperate controlled and they wont make money off playing
unsigned bands. there is only one local unsigned artist that gets regular
airtime in this area, as a whole i feel the local stations serve the local
music community very little because they do not make money off of it.

i think all radio stations should be free to play what they want, when they
want. if the demand by the local community is to hear local music then it is
up to the individual station to decide wether to cator to the demand or not.

my oppinion of local programming is any musician or group that is not signed
to a national distributor. wether it be confined to a particular area is not
necessary, actuall i think it should be termed "unsigned programming"
instead of local programming. i would hope a station 1000 miles away would
give our music a chance and not care wether it was local or not. i think the
programming should be up to the individual station

local is anything that is within the station listeneing area and they should
be free to broadcast what they want of it

i believe there is some of this going on in our local community

i think most people could care less where the broadcast originates but i
think it is a stupid practice

the national playlist is in use in this area and makes it very difficult to
get local bands air time

i think the lpfm could do alot for the local community, especially in bigger
cities and there should definately be more licenses given out.

we do appreciate the fcc for trying to help the local community and music
scenes , although i feel the owner of the station wether it be corperately
owned or independently owned should be free to do as they please wether they
do anything for the local community or not. i feel the fcc should not try to
be overbearing on the stations.

