

I am writing in regards to Localism of Proposed Rulemaking MB Docket No. 04-233.

FCC rules, policies, and procedures should never violate First Amendment Rights. A number of proposals in the NPRM must not be adopted or, if enacted would violate First Amendment Rights.

1 - The FCC must not force radio stations, especially religious broadcasters, to take advice from people who do not share their values. The First Amendment prohibits government, from dictating what viewpoints a broadcaster must present.

2 - The FCC must not turn every radio station into a public forum where anyone and everyone has rights to air time. The First Amendment forbids imposition of message delivery mandates on any religion.

3 - The FCC must not force revelation of specific editorial decision-making information.

4 - The FCC must not establish a two-tiered renewal system in which certain licencees would automatically be barred from routine renewal application processing.

5 - Smaller market stations operate on tight budgets and the FCC proposals would raise costs in two ways: by requiring staff presence whenever a station is on the air and by further restricting main studio location choices.

Please do not allow the FCC to adopt these rules, procedures, or policies.