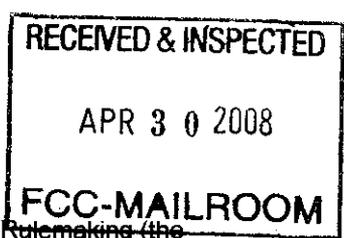


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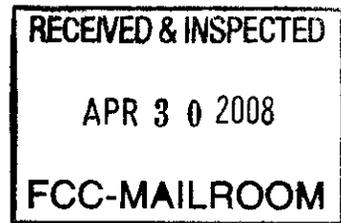
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Dear Members of the FCC,

I am writing because of a deep burden I feel since hearing a message from my local Christian radio station here in Phoenix, AZ. I strongly urge you to vote down MB Docket number 04-233 concerning changes in the rules for Christian & religious radio programming for several reasons.

In our great nation both the opinions of both the majority & the minority must be heard. The proposed Community advisory groups would silence either & should not be part of the FCC regulations. To have these groups would result in airing the views of only one side & that would be the side of the advisory group. Clearly a violation of our right to free speech.

This proposal would require radio stations to report to the FCC every 3 months the types of programming broadcasted to show how the interests of a cross section of local residents have been represented. Have we not recently seen the government of Russia take charge of the media there? This is not a good idea for anyone.

Radio broadcasting has many uses & everyone has the right to use it. It is not the government's job to dictate what comes across the air waves.

Lastly MB 04-233 would mandate that every station man the premises constantly. Many stations have operated unmanned stations via satellite transmissions for many years. If stations must hire staff to support this it would put many listener supported stations off the air.

MB 04-233 would greatly restrict the message of hope & love sent out by Christian stations. Please vote down MB 04-233.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eunice Larson".

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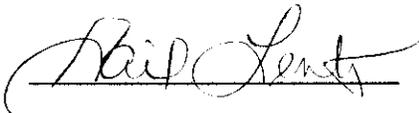
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# Save Christian Radio

## *FCC PROPOSALS COULD SILENCE CHRISTIAN RADIO STATIONS!*

Tell the FCC to keep **FREE SPEECH FREE** and not to tamper with Christian and religious programming!

The FCC is considering rule changes that could force Christian radio stations to either modify their messages or be forced from the air.

Although not directed specifically at those using the airwaves to disseminate the Good News of the Gospel, potential rule changes could put Christian Broadcasters in an untenable position. If enacted, the proposals could force Christian radio programmers to either compromise their messages by including input from those who don't share the same values, or to run the risk of costly, long and potentially ruinous government inquiries.

**PROPOSAL:** Specifically, the FCC is considering a proposal that would force every radio station to take programming advice from community advisory boards broadly representative of an area's population. That means that Christian broadcast stations could be forced to take programming advice from people whose values are at odds with the Gospel! A well organized group of atheists, abortionists or secular humanists could demand representation – and have standing to cause trouble at the FCC if they were turned away.

**RESULT:** Any Christian Broadcaster who stands up to the pressure and refuses to compromise on matters of conscience, could find his or her station's license renewal tied up for many years as the FCC considers complaints and allegations over nothing more than the station's chosen broadcast message!

**PROPOSAL:** Among the proposed new regulations are requirements that stations report, every three months, how much programming of various types has been broadcast, who produced it, and how it reflects the interests of a cross-section of local residents – even those who do not share Gospel values.

**RESULT:** If enacted, such requirements will give Christian Radio's opponents powerful new tools to harass and possibly silence Gospel inspired voices. Armed with these reports, adversaries can file complaints with the FCC against Christian Broadcasters who refuse to compromise on Gospel principles; any Christian Station that insists on only pure Gospel programming could be made to pay a high price for its refusal to yield airtime to those with other messages.

**PROPOSAL:** One proposed variation would even force stations to grant a certain amount of airtime to any group that requests it – much like cable television systems make time available on "public access channels."

## Save Christian Radio

**RESULT:** But unlike public access channels, which were created as a kind of open public forum, Christian Radio is a combination of pulpit and mission. The government cannot force messages from any pulpit, nor insist that missionaries promulgate viewpoints contrary to the Gospel. The same way, it should not be forcing Christian Radio stations to deliver the messages promulgated by secular humanists, abortionists or atheists.

**RESULT:** The FCC is also considering ways it could increase its coercive powers to force speech on unwilling broadcasters. Even a station that avoided sanctions during a typical eight-year license term could find its license renewal challenged.

While this has long been true, in recent years, the delays caused by these challenges were usually more of a nuisance than a disaster, as skilled civil service professionals worked through issues. These government experts had authority to apply reason, and ultimately granted almost every renewal presented.

**PROPOSAL:** But the FCC is considering a renewal processing procedure that would take renewal-granting power out of the hands of qualified civil servants when a Christian station, in good conscience, has kept its message pure and not allowed its facilities to be used to promulgate other messages. Instead of routine processing by civil servants, such a station's renewal application will be subject to the often multi-year process of review by the politically-appointed FCC commissioners.

**RESULT:** Not only will such a designation make a license renewal more time-consuming, but also more costly to obtain; Christian Broadcasters facing such a process will likely need greater assistance from lawyers and other consultants – added expenses that could prove ruinous.

**PROPOSAL:** Finally, the FCC is also proposing to drive up the costs of providing Christian Broadcasting services by eliminating labor-saving technological enhancements that make it possible to operate radio stations, at least part of the time, without an employee on the premises.

**RESULT:** Although such un-staffed operations have been the norm for years, the FCC is considering a rule to require staffing whenever a radio station is on the air – even if all the programming at that time is delivered by satellite. God's love may be free to all, but getting the word out will become even more expensive – perhaps too expensive for some radio stations.

**PROPOSAL:** The FCC is also considering a proposal that would force many Christian stations to relocate their main studio facilities.



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RESULT: Now, it is possible to serve several missions from one location. But under this proposal, co-location arrangements would be forced to end – raising daily operating costs and imposing immediate expenses related to moving, construction of other facilities and overseeing forced relocations.

RESULT: When coupled with the rapidly rising costs of broadcasting, including multiplying electricity expenses, extended staffing requirements and forced relocations will leave some Christian Broadcasters with little choice: either cut back or give up.

~~The First Amendment protects the free exercise of religion.~~ The government must not be allowed to impose rules that violate it. Christian Radio needs your support now to keep its message of salvation strong on the nation's airwaves. It's not just a Christian thing – everyone's fundamental constitutional rights are at stake.

HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO:

The FCC is taking comments on these proposals. You can add your comments to the record. The FCC can only make rule changes based on evidence – and the evidence you submit can make a difference!

By Mail: Send a letter, specifying what the FCC must not do and why. Make sure you place the docket number on top of the letter to be sure it is delivered to the correct office:

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Mail your comments, so they arrive by April 14, 2008 to

Using the US Postal Service:	Or using FedEx, UPS, DHL or similar services:
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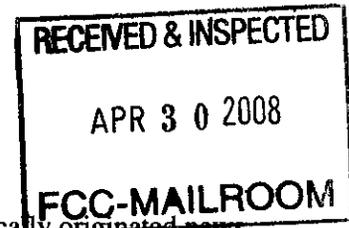
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April 24, 2008

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File under Docket MB No. 04-233



Dear Ms. Dortch:

As you consider new rules that would further specify the issues that locally originated news programs must address, I hope you'll give serious thought to the many positive contributions that are already being made by TV stations that serve small to mid-sized markets in America's Heartland.

Among those community-centric broadcasters is WKBT NewsChannel 8, our local CBS affiliate.

The FCC's current quarterly reporting requirements are already challenging. The proposed new rules would further complicate the process and likely impede WKBT's ability to support community projects and promote awareness of issues that are specific to the 7 Rivers Region.

As a longtime resident of the La Crosse area and a 22-year communications veteran, I am acutely aware of the important role that the local media plays in shaping the agenda of our community. We are fortunate to count WKBT among those whose commitment to community service, constructive local programming and civic engagement befits what many who live here call "God's Country."

In my role as university relations director for the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, an 8,500 student, four year public university that's part of the UW System, I can speak first-hand about how WKBT has helped raise awareness of three subjects that are of huge importance to our area: raising awareness of the dangers of binge drinking, celebrating educational excellence, and supporting the construction of a new Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex.

Of these, the effort to curb binge drinking is of foremost concern. While all local media have embraced this cause, WKBT deserves credit for being the first to publicly acknowledge the issue during a live town hall meeting that followed the alcohol-related drowning of a UW-L student in April 2004. That one-hour broadcast, co-sponsored by the La Crosse Tribune, served as a call to action to address the issue head-on. Since then, our community has been persistent in its efforts to reduce binge drinking. A public service campaign was created by students at La Crosse's three institutions of higher learning and WKBT has generously donated tens of thousands of dollars in air time to promote this message, which air to this day.

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Because La Crosse is one of few like-sized communities that is home to a four-year baccalaureate university, a four-year private university and a two-year college, plus two teaching hospitals, residents of our area are particularly interested in issues related to education.

WKBT is actively engaged in supporting a wide range of activities and events that support education at the K-12 and college level. The station is also committed to celebrating the achievements of our local students and recognizing those who teach them. NewsChannel 8's Top-Notch Teacher segments showcase K-12 teachers who have made a lasting impression on their students, while Assignment Education reports provide a local perspective on issues related to education at all levels, including college and vocational training. Additionally, WKBT has fostered a network of sources from the local college campuses who offer their expert opinions on subjects on subjects including economics, popular culture, political science and the environment.

About two years ago, UW-La Crosse launched a public fundraising appeal to raise money for a new, \$18 million Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex. This community-use facility will host athletic contests, home and garden shows, band concerts, and other outdoor events that would have a significant, positive impact on the area economy. However, as is the case with most efforts of this size, raising the final 25 percent of the goal is the most challenging part of the campaign. Thanks in large measure to a contribution of over \$30,000 in cash and informational messages created by WKBT and aired during premium airtime, UW-L has met its fundraising goal for Phase I of the project. Construction is set to begin in June 2008 with completion in June 2009.

I could go on, but you get the idea: The management and staff at WKBT are actively engaged in our community. Their news coverage of local issues, support of community events, and public service and informational programming proves it.

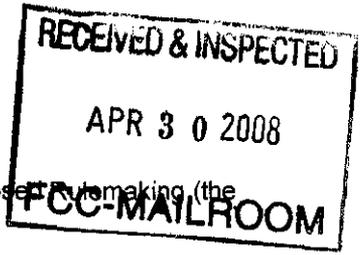
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Sincerely,



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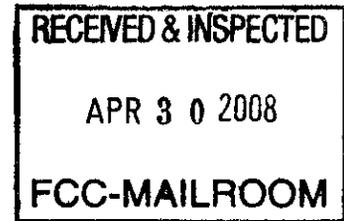
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RE: MB Docket No. 04-233  
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Dear Secretary,

I am writing to you in reference to the above matter. I am opposed to the changes that are trying to be made to Christian Radio. My family and I listen to K-Love, a Christian Radio Station that is Positive, Encouraging and Uplifting. My 19 year old that could be listening to hard rock or explicit music with filthy words or sexual references, chooses to listen to K-Love. We should have the right to choose the kind of station or music or programs we want to listen to. Freedom of Religion and Freedom of Speech are being threatened. Please do not tamper with our rights. If someone does not want to listen to Positive, Encouraging or Uplifting music, etc., they should simply change the station. K-Love is Listener Supported and should stay that way. We support Christian Radio because we want to listen to morally right songs and/or programs. My family has been blessed many times and lives have been changed due to Christian Radio. Please do not allow broadcasters, that, do not share Christian Values, to be able to put input into Christian Radio. Our Nation was built on: "In God We Trust". Do we still trust Him? I do. My Family does.

If we would put God into everything, we wouldn't have the situations that we deal with today. When I was in school, the worst thing that kids did, was to chew gum in class or shoot spit balls. Now, we have continual school shootings, (not spit balls), knives, rapes, addiction to drugs & alcohol, etc., etc., etc. Please leave God in the Christian Radio Stations. Christian Radio operates on tight budgets, please do not put more pressure on them. God forbid.

Please help KEEP CHRISTIAN RADIO alive and well, just as it is.

MAY GOD RICHLY BLESS YOU.

Yours Very Truly,



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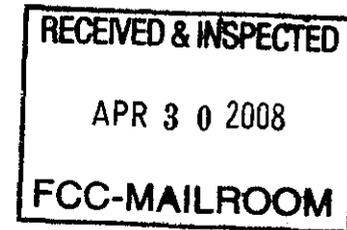
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Based on the latest proposed rulemakings for radio by the FCC, I feel led to write this note.

1. Please do not set the mandates as proposed...especially DO NOT mandate 24/7 staffing at radio stations! With technology today, we don't need this! Besides, most people don't know if there is a person manning any radio station or not. Also, when there is a listener supported radio station, they don't have the funds to support another 2 people (about \$70,000). Most staff at our particular radio station lives 4-5 miles away and could get to the station quickly if needed. This is an unrealistic mandate.
2. Keep speech free. Do not tamper with religious programming! The first amendment protects the free exercise of religion. The government must not violate this! I listen to Christian family radio because of its programming. I don't want a community group that may include people who do not share the radio station's values to decide which programs will be broadcast. Also, our Christian family radio station does not want to carry broadcasts that would be offensive to our listeners!...or to the family for that matter! On the flip side, if I want to listen to country music, I don't want to here a rock song because someone on the committee likes rock songs! This is stupid.

Respectfully submitted,

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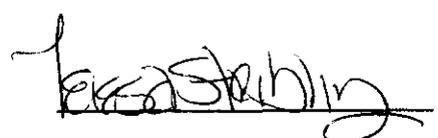
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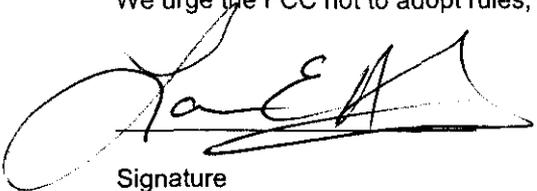
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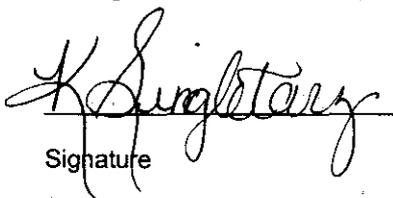
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