

## Clatskanie Rural Fire Protection District

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To:

Office of the Secretary

Federal Communications Commission

445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Attention: Michael Wagner, Rm 2-A523, Andrew Rhodes, Rm. 2-A460

Re: December 18<sup>th</sup> Decision, DA 14-1859, FM Channel 225C3 assigned from Clatskanie to Napavine for Threshold Communications

The Clatskanie Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors and I would like to express our opinion that FCC FM Frequency 92.9 MHz should remain allotted to Clatskanie, Oregon and not be allowed to be relocated to Napavine, Washington.

The topography around the local area of Clatskanie presents with 3600 foot high forested hilltops and valleys with elevations near sea level making it a difficult area to receive radio broadcasts from outside of our area.

A local radio station in Clatskanie is needed as an emergency public alert system to give direction to our local community. Examples of such emergencies would be a natural disaster or a spontaneous weather emergency, Police emergency, a wildfire, school closure, or sudden event where emergency evacuation or shelter in place direction is needed.

Currently there is no local radio station in the Clatskanie Area and it would be irresponsible to not keep the option available for a FM Radio Frequency to operate in our community. We understand that if we were to lose this frequency in the Clatskanie area we would not likely ever be able to receive permission to acquire another radio frequency, therefore never be able to operate a local station.

Thank you for your consideration to leave FM Channel 225C3 in the Clatskanie Area for the above reasons.

Steven E. Sharek

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Fire Chief