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William Lake  
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Federal Communications Commission  
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RE: KVNW Clatskanie/Napavite, Facility ID 189494. File No. BNPH - 20110630AHJ.  
December 18, 2014 Decision, DA 14-1859.

Dear Mr. Lake,

It has come to my attention that you are currently reviewing a petition from Threshold Communications to move the assignment of the above-mentioned FM radio channel from Clatskanie, Oregon to Napavine, Washington. I am writing to respectfully request that you take into consideration the unique and significant communications needs and interests of the Clatskanie community when evaluating the petition.

I have the honor of representing the community of Clatskanie, located in the Lower Columbia region of Oregon. Years ago, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) allotted an FM frequency to Clatskanie (92.9 MHz). Threshold Communications, a broadcasting company, now holds a construction permit to build a station. Numerous constituents have emphasized the importance of maintaining this service for the community. Clatskanie is a relatively isolated community. The local paper is a weekly publication and there is no local TV access. It is my understanding that this allotment would be the first station allotted to the community and transmitting a signal from that location.

Maintaining this capacity is particularly important to local law enforcement and emergency responders. The Clatskanie community frequently suffers from inclement weather as well as natural disasters such as flooding and landslides that threaten lives and disrupt economic activity and transportation systems. The community is interested in developing a commercial station with the FM radio frequency in question to improve emergency communications in the area.

It is my understanding that in decisions such as this, the FCC often favors communities with larger populations because it would be the most efficient use of the spectrum. If that is accurate, I

encourage FCC in this situation to carefully examine and value highly the needs of underserved communities such as Clatskanie to increase access to opportunities for local programming.

On behalf of my constituents, I urge you to take into consideration the unique importance of this allocation to the community of Clatskanie. I would also appreciate a response from FCC detailing the review process and what factors the FCC takes into consideration when reviewing petitions to move radio frequencies from one community to another.

The FCC plays a critical role in supporting the nation's economy and promoting safety of life and property through the use of communications, and I appreciate all you do.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter, and I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Suzanne Bonamici  
Member of Congress

cc: Peter Doyle, Audio Division, Federal Communications Commission  
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