



Joe Lamond
President/CEO

June 15, 2006

The Honorable Ted Stevens
Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
SD-508 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-6125

Via Fax: (202) 224-1259

Dear Senator Stevens:

NAMM is extremely concerned about S. 2686 (June 9, 2006 version) which would enable unlicensed devices to occupy "white spaces" in the television broadcast band. This spectrum is currently used by wireless microphones and other audio devices that are vital to the members of our 105 year old trade association. This audio equipment is the link between performer and audience, and must convey every subtle nuance of a performance. Musicians choose their microphones very carefully, demanding that their equipment operate reliably and without interference. If a musician or performer experiences a problem during a live performance, recovery can be very difficult or even impossible, potentially ruining performance for the speaker or performer and the audience. Permitting unlicensed devices to operate on the same frequencies as wireless microphones and other audio equipment creates serious interference issues. NAMM believes the pending legislation does not adequately protect wireless microphones and sets too short a timeline for FCC action in light of the complex interference issues presented. We respectfully request that you not move forward with this legislation in its present form, and let the FCC and other technical experts complete their important work in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Lamond". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Joe Lamond
President and CEO



NAMM, the International Music Products Association

5790 Armada Drive Carlsbad, CA 92008 | p.760.438.8007 x106 f.760.438.8639 | joel@namm.com www.namm.com



Joe Lamond
President/CEO

June 15, 2006

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation
SD-560 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

FAX TO: (202) 228-0303

Dear Senator Inouye:

NAMM is extremely concerned about S. 2686 (June 9, 2006 version) which would enable unlicensed devices to occupy "white spaces" in the television broadcast band. This spectrum is currently used by wireless microphones and other audio devices that are vital to the members of our 105 year old trade association. This audio equipment is the link between performer and audience, and must convey every subtle nuance of a performance. Musicians choose their microphones very carefully, demanding that their equipment operate reliably and without interference. If a musician or performer experiences a problem during a live performance, recovery can be very difficult or even impossible, potentially ruining performance for the speaker or performer and the audience. Permitting unlicensed devices to operate on the same frequencies as wireless microphones and other audio equipment creates serious interference issues. NAMM believes the pending legislation does not adequately protect wireless microphones and sets too short a timeline for FCC action in light of the complex interference issues presented. We respectfully request that you not move forward with this legislation in its present form, and let the FCC and other technical experts complete their important work in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Lamond". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Joe Lamond
President and CEO



NAMM, the International Music Products Association

5790 Armada Drive Carlsbad, CA 92008 | p.760.438.8007 x106 f.760.438.8639 | joel@namm.com www.namm.com