

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**  
**NO. 10-05-90**

**SUBJECT: SUB-ALLOCATION OF FREQUENCY BAND 430 – 440 MHz.**

In Memorandum Circular No. 04-08-90, dated 06 February 1990, the Commission altered the allocation of the frequency band 430 – 440 MHz., which had been exclusively allocated to Amateur Radio use, to open the use of parts of the band to commercial FX/ML user applications.

The Circular had not been subjected to any formal comment period, and in the time since its issuance, the Commission has received strong representation from the Amateur Radio Community throughout the Philippines, to rescind the order. The Commission also notes since February 1990, there have been only 145 applications for licenses for FX/ML usage in the entire UHF band.

Considering these factors, the exemplary record of the radio amateur community in keeping citizens in touch during times of emergency, and their positive role in the telecommunications community, the Commission is inclined to rescind Memorandum Circular No. 04-08-90, and restore the band to its previous use. The Commission believes that there is currently sufficient spectrum space available in the 420 – 430 and 440 – 450 MHz, bands to accommodate the commercial users. At the same time, it notes that under the International Radio Regulations, any allocations of the 430 – 440 MHz. band to Amateur use would be for secondary use only, and when necessary, the Commission will license commercial stations in the band as primary users.

Comments are invited on the rescinding of Memorandum Circular No. 04-08-90, to be submitted to the Commission by 30 October 1990 such comments to be actually received by the Commission on or before that date. On the basis of the comments received, the Commission will issue a final Memorandum Circular. In the meantime, the Commission will issue no further licenses for commercial use in the 430 – 440 MHz frequency band.

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