

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8169, September 23, 1995 ]**

**AN ACT GRANTING GV BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE ISLAND OF LUZON AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. *Nature and Scope of Franchise.* - Subject to the provisions of the Constitution, laws, rules, decrees, orders and regulations not inconsistent herewith, there is hereby granted to GV Broadcasting System, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the grantee, its heirs, successors or assigns, a franchise to construct, install, operate and maintain for commercial purposes and in the public interest, radio broadcasting stations in the island of Luzon with the corresponding improvements and innovations thereof including but not limited to availment of relevant facilities or technology as would render effective and would maximize the efficiency of the services.

SEC. 2. *Manner of Operation of Stations or Facilities.* - The stations or facilities of the grantee shall be so constructed and operated in a manner as will at most result only in the minimum interference on the wavelengths of the frequencies of the other existing stations or stations which may be established by law, without in any way diminishing its own right to use its selected wavelengths or frequencies and the quality of transmission or reception thereon as should maximize rendition of the grantee's services and/or the availability thereof.

SEC. 3. *Prior Approval of the National Telecommunications Commission.* - The grantee shall secure from the National Telecommunications Commission the appropriate permits and licenses for its stations and shall not use any frequency in the radio spectrum without having been authorized by the Commission. The Commission, however, shall not unreasonably withhold or delay the grant of any such authority.

SEC. 4. *Responsibility to the Public.* - The grantee shall provide adequate public service time to enable the government, through the said broadcasting stations, to reach the population on important public issues; provide at all times sound and balanced programming; promote public participation such as in community programming; assist in the functions of public information and education; conform to the ethics of honest enterprise; and not use its stations for the broadcasting of obscene and indecent language, speech, act or scene, or for the dissemination of deliberately false information or willful misrepresentation, or to the detriment of the public interest or to incite, encourage, or assist in subversive or treasonable acts.

SEC. 5. *Right of Government.* - A special right is reserved to the President of the