

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 11-K

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the fiscal year ended: December 31, 1998

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number: 0-24710

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the Plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

CD Radio 401(k) Savings Plan

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

CD Radio Inc.
1221 Avenue of the Americas
36th Floor
New York, NY 10020

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Plan Administrator has duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CD RADIO 401 (k) SAVINGS PLAN
SEPTEMBER 1, 1998 (INCEPTION) TO DECEMBER 31, 1998

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CD RADIO 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1998

(UNAUDITED)

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INVESTMENTS, at market value	
CD Radio Inc. Common Stock - Non-participant Directed	\$ 138,467
CD Radio Inc. Common Stock - Participant Directed	108,925
Merrill Lynch S&P 500 Index Fund	34,678
Davis New York Venture Fund	19,474
Merrill Lynch Preservation Trust Fund	7,893
MFS Emerging Growth Fund	5,235

Merrill Lynch Global Allocation Fund	3,736
Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund	3,147
IVY Bond Fund	2,830
AIM Constellation Fund	2,499

Total Investments	\$ 326,884
Employer Contribution Receivable	12,526
Employee Contribution Receivable	12,526

Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 351,936
Accrued Forfeitures	(3,299)

Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 348,637
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

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CD RADIO 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
SEPTEMBER 1, 1998 (INCEPTION) TO DECEMBER 31, 1998

(UNAUDITED)

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	CD Radio Inc. Common Stock-	CD Radio Inc. Common Stock -	Merrill Lynch	Davis
	Non-participant	Participant	S&P 500 Index	York
	Directed	Directed	Fund	

<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, beginning of year	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
ADDITIONS:				
Employer contributions	104,306	--	--	-
Employee contributions	--	30,524	31,668	-
Employee rollovers	--	62,150	--	-
Interest and dividend income	--	--	--	-
Net appreciation of investments	34,161	15,224	4,479	-
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total additions	\$ 138,467	\$ 107,898	\$ 36,147	\$ --
	-----	-----	-----	-----
DEDUCTIONS:				
Forfeitures	--	--	--	-
Distributions	--	(590)	(1,469)	-
	-----	-----	-----	-----
Total Deductions	\$ --	\$ (590)	\$ (1,469)	\$ --
	-----	-----	-----	-----
TRANSFERS AMONGST FUNDS	--	1,617	--	-
(840)	-----	-----	-----	-----
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, end of year	\$ 138,467	\$ 108,925	\$ 34,678	\$ --
19,474	=====	=====	=====	=====

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Lynch Value Fund	IVY Bond	Merrill Lynch	Merrill Lynch	Merrill Lynch	Merrill
		Preservation Trust Fund	MFS Emerging Growth Fund	Global Allocation Fund	Basic Fund
-----		<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, beginning of year		\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
ADDITIONS:					
--	Employer contributions	--	--	--	--
3,593	Employee contributions	7,631	4,172	3,558	2,971
--	Employee rollovers	--	--	--	--
--	Interest and dividend income	262	--	--	--
14	Net appreciation of investments	--	1,063	178	176

--	Total additions	\$ 7,893	\$ 5,235	\$ 3,736	\$
3,147	\$ 3,607				

DEDUCTIONS:					
--	Forfeitures	--	--	--	--
--	Distributions	--	--	--	--

--	Total Deductions	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --

TRANSFERS AMONGST FUNDS (777)		--	--	--	--

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, end of year		\$ 7,893	\$ 5,235	\$ 3,736	\$ 3,147
\$ 2,830					
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	AIM		
	Constellation Fund	Other	Total

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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, beginning of year	\$ --	\$ --	\$ --
ADDITIONS:			
Employer contributions	--	12,526	116,832
Employee contributions	2,092	12,526	116,832
Employee rollovers	--	--	62,150
Interest and dividend income	--	--	262
Net appreciation of investments	407	--	57,919

Total additions	\$ 2,499	\$ 25,052	\$ 353,995

DEDUCTIONS:			
Forfeitures	--	(3,299)	(3,299)
Distributions	--	--	(2,059)

Total Deductions	\$ --	\$ (3,299)	(5,358)

TRANSFERS AMONGST FUNDS			
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, end of year	\$ 2,499	\$ 21,753	\$ 348,637
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CD RADIO 401 (k) SAVINGS PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31, 1998

(UNAUDITED)

NOTE - 1 DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

CD Radio Inc. ("CD Radio") sponsors the CD Radio 401(k) Savings Plan (the "Plan"). The inception date of the Plan was September 1, 1998 and the Plan has an anniversary date of December 31.

As permitted by 29 CFR 2520.104-50 of the Department of Labor Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), the Plan has elected to defer attaching an accountant's opinion for the first of two plan years, one of which is a short plan year of seven months or less.

The following description of the Plan provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions. Information with regard to eligibility, contributions, distributions, vesting, trustees, withdrawals, loans, fund redistribution and definitions of all terms are contained in that document.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all non-union employees of CD Radio who have attained 21 years of age. Participation in the Plan begins on the first day of the first month following an employee's date of hire. The Plan is subject to the provisions of ERISA.

Contributions

Participants may elect to contribute up to 12% of compensation, as defined, provided their contributions do not exceed maximum allowable amounts under the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). Under the Code, individual contributions for which taxes may be deferred were limited to \$10,000 in 1998. Contributions for highly compensated participants, as defined, are limited to an amount set by the plan administrator to permit the Plan to meet certain discrimination tests required by the Code.

The Plan provides for employer matching contributions based on employee contribution levels. For the initial Plan year, CD Radio provided a matching employer contribution of dollar for dollar for the first \$10,000 deferred. This matching employer contribution was in the form of common stock of CD Radio. Each plan year, CD Radio will review and determine the matching employer contributions for the subsequent plan year. Employees are eligible to receive the matching employer contribution during a year in which the employee has performed at least one hour of service, regardless of employment status on the last day of the plan year.

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CD Radio may also elect to contribute to the profit sharing portion of the Plan based upon the total compensation of all participants eligible to receive an allocation. These additional contributions, referred to as regular employer contributions, will be limited to profits as determined by the 401(k) Committee and will be determined for each plan year by CD Radio. Employees are only eligible to share in regular employer contributions during any plan year in which they are employed on the last day of the plan year.

Administrative Expenses

All administrative expenses are paid by the Plan, except to the extent paid by the Plan sponsor. For the period ending December 31, 1998, administrative expenses were funded by Plan forfeitures.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with participant contributions, employer matching and regular contributions and allocations of Plan earnings. Allocations of investment income are based on participant earnings or account balances. The benefit to which a member is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus earnings thereon. Vesting in company matching and regular contributions begins one year after employment at a rate of 33 1/3% per year until the third year of employment when 100% is vested. Notwithstanding the foregoing statement, a

participant becomes fully vested in his or her company matching and regular contributions upon his or her retirement, disability, death, upon reaching age 65, or if there is a change in control of the employer.

Investment Options

Upon enrollment, participants may designate the funds in which their contributions are to be invested, in increments of 5%. Participants may elect to contribute or to modify a previous election before the first day of each month. This may be done by filing a written notice with the Plan Administrator or by calling the interactive voice response system at least 10 days before the first day of the month for which the modification is effective. The investment options available are as follows:

- - CD Radio Inc. Common Stock- shares of CD Radio Inc. stock.
 - - Merrill Lynch S & P 500 Index Fund- an index fund that invests in a portfolio of equities that mirrors the Standard & Poor's 500 Index.
 - - Davis New York Venture Fund- a growth fund investing primarily in equities issued by companies with market capitalization of at least \$250 million, though it may also hold securities of smaller companies.
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- - Merrill Lynch Preservation Trust Fund- a money market fund designed to provide investors with high current income, consistent with liquidity and stability of principal.
 - - MFS Emerging Growth Fund- a mid-cap growth fund that normally invests at least 80% of assets in common stocks of small and medium sized companies having just begun their life cycle, but have the potential to become major enterprises. The fund may also invest in established companies with earnings growth that is expected to accelerate.
 - - Merrill Lynch Global Allocation Fund- a multi-asset global fund that invests in domestic and foreign equities, debt and money markets.
 - - Merrill Lynch Basic Value Fund- a growth and income fund that invests primarily in equities that are selling at a discount to their book values or to their historical P/E ratios, or that seem capable of recovering from temporarily unfavorable conditions.
 - - IVY Bond Fund- a long-term bond fund that invests at least 65% of assets in investment grade corporate bonds and government debt that mature in more than 13 months.
 - - AIM Constellation Fund- a mid-cap growth fund that invests primarily in common stocks, emphasizing small to mid-size emerging growth companies.

All employer matching and regular contributions are invested in CD Radio stock.

Distributions of Benefits

Upon termination of employment due to death, disability, retirement, or upon attaining age 59-1/2, a participant may receive a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. In addition, participants may elect to withdraw funds from their respective accounts in an event of hardship, as defined.

Participant Loans

Participants have the ability to borrow against their vested account balance, up to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested balance, with a minimum borrowing of \$1,000. Loans must generally be repaid within five years in equal installments via payroll deductions, with the exception of loans taken to purchase a principal residence, which may be repaid over a reasonable period of time in excess of five years, as determined by the Plan Administrator. Loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a comparable rate charged by a bank or other financial institution at the time of the loan.

Forfeitures

Forfeitures of non-vested contributions are used to reduce matching employer contributions or administrative expenses borne by the employer. At December 31, 1998, forfeited non-vested contributions totaled \$3,299 and were used to pay administrative expenses.

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the Plan Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. Stocks and fund shares are valued at their quoted market price.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

NOTE 3 - FEDERAL INCOME TAX

The Plan sponsor has applied for an IRS determination letter in accordance with applicable sections of the Code. Although determination has not yet been granted, the Plan Administrator and Plan counsel believe that the Plan is designed and currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Code.

NOTE 4 - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company reserves the right to terminate the Plan, in whole or in part, at any time. In the event that such termination occurs, all amounts credited to participant accounts will become 100% vested. The net assets of the Plan will be distributed by the trustee in accordance with the Plan document in a uniform and nondiscretionary manner.

NOTE 5 - PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

CD Radio and Merrill Lynch Trust Company, plan trustee, are parties-in-interest with respect to the Plan under the provisions of ERISA. The records of the Plan indicate no party-in-interest transactions which are prohibited by ERISA Section 406 and for which no statutory or administrative exemption exists.

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NOTE 6 - INVESTMENTS

The fair value of investments that individually represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets are as follows:

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	DECEMBER 31, 1998

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CD Radio Inc. Common Stock	\$ 247,392
Merrill Lynch S&P 500 Index	34,678
Davis New York Venture Fund	19,474

NOTE 7 - RECONCILIATION TO FORM 5500-C/R

The following is a reconciliation between the Form 5500-C/R and the enclosed Statement of Net Assets Available for Benefits:

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	DECEMBER 31, 1998

<S>	<C>
Net Assets Available for Benefits per Form 5500-C/R	\$ 346,751
Accrued Benefits Payable	1,884
Miscellaneous	2
Net Assets Available for Benefits	----- \$ 348,637 =====

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The following is a reconciliation between the Form 5500-C/R and the enclosed Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits:

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	DECEMBER 31, 1998

<S>	<C>
Net Income per Form 5500-C/R	\$ 346,751
Benefits requested but not paid as of December 31, 1998	1,884
Miscellaneous	2

Net Income per enclosed Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits	\$ 348,637
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SCHEDULE I

CD RADIO 401 (k) SAVINGS PLAN

ITEM 27a -- SCHEDULE OF ASSETS HELD FOR INVESTMENT PURPOSES

DECEMBER 31, 1998
(UNAUDITED)

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(b) IDENTITY OF ISSUER, BORROWER, (a) LESSOR OR SIMILAR PARTY CURRENT VALUE	(c) DESCRIPTION OF INVESTMENT, INCLUDING MATURITY DATE, RATE OF INTEREST, COLLATERAL, PAR OR MATURITY VALUE	(d) COST	(e)

	<C>	<C>	<C>
*CD Radio Inc. \$247,392	Common Stock, 7,092 shares in participation	\$193,975	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 34,678	S&P 500 Index Fund, 2,268 shares in participation	31,759	
Davis Selected Advisors 19,474	New York Venture Fund, 788 shares in participation	17,598	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 7,893	Preservation Trust Fund, 7,893 shares in participation	7,893	
MFS Investment Management 5,235	Emerging Growth Fund, 120 shares in participation	4,213	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 3,736	Global Allocation Fund, 301 shares in participation	3,826	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 3,147	Basic Value Fund, 84 shares in participation	3,009	
IVY Management, Inc. 2,830	Bond Fund, 298 shares in participation	2,852	
AIM Management Group Inc. 2,499	Constellation Fund, 83 shares in participation	2,140	

Total Investments		\$267,265	
\$326,884			

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*Represents a party-in-interest

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

CD RADIO 401 (k) SAVINGS PLAN

ITEM 27d -- SCHEDULE OF REPORTABLE TRANSACTIONS (A)

SEPTEMBER 1, 1998 (INCEPTION) TO DECEMBER 31, 1998
(UNAUDITED)

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COST OF (a) IDENTITY OF PARTY INVOLVED ASSET	(b) DESCRIPTION OF ASSET	NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS	(c) PURCHASE PRICE	(d) SELLING PRICE	(g)
<S> *CD Radio Inc. \$196,980	<C> Common Stock	<C> 16	<C> \$196,980	<C> n/a	<C>
3,005	Common Stock	4	n/a	\$4,334	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 33,127	S&P 500 Index Fund	9	33,127	n/a	
1,368	S&P 500 Index Fund	3	n/a	1,499	
Davis Selected Advisors 18,379	New York Venture Fund	7	18,379	n/a	
781	New York Venture Fund	1	n/a	841	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 7,893	Preservation Trust Fund	61	7,893	n/a	
MFS Investment Management 4,213	Emerging Growth Fund	7	4,213	n/a	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 3,826	Global Allocation Fund	9	3,826	n/a	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 3,009	Basic Value Fund	8	3,009	n/a	
IVY Management, Inc. 3,629	Bond Fund	9	3,629	n/a	
777	Bond Fund	1	n/a	772	
AIM Management Group Inc. 2,140	Constellation Fund	8	2,140	n/a	
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company 128,504	CMA Money Fund	17	128,504	n/a	
128,504	CMA Money Fund	21	n/a	128,504	

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(a) IDENTITY OF PARTY INVOLVED	(h) CURRENT VALUE OF ASSET ON TRANSACTION DATE	(i) NET GAIN OR (LOSS)
<S> *CD Radio Inc.	<C> \$196,980 4,334	<C> n/a \$1,329
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company	33,127 1,499	n/a 131
Davis Selected Advisors	18,379	n/a

	841	60
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company	7,893	n/a
MFS Investment Management	4,213	n/a
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company	3,826	n/a
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company	3,009	n/a
IVY Management, Inc.	3,629	n/a
	772	(5)
AIM Management Group Inc.	2,140	n/a
*Merrill Lynch Trust Company	128,504	n/a
	128,504	n/a

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(A) Reportable transactions are those purchases and sales of the same security which, individually or in the aggregate, exceed 5% of the Plan's assets as of the beginning of the plan year.

*Represents a party-in-interest

The accompanying notes to financial statements are an integral part of this schedule.

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SIGNATURES

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CD RADIO 401(k) SAVINGS PLAN

By: /s/ John T. McClain

John T. McClain
Vice President and Controller
(Chief Accounting Officer)

June 28, 1999