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1003-30-1276 Valentin V. Andreev* (andreev@math.lamar.edu), Department of Mathematics, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX 77710. The Identity Maximizes the Chang-Marshall Inequality over the Beurling Functions.

S.-Y. A. Chang and D. E. Marshall showed that the functional $\Lambda(f) = (1/2\pi) \int_0^{2\pi} \exp\{|f(e^{i\theta})|^2\} d\theta$ is bounded on the unit ball \mathcal{B} of the space \mathcal{D} of analytic functions in the unit disk with f(0) = 0 and Dirichlet integral not exceeding one. Andreev and Matheson conjectured that the identity function f(z) = z is a global maximum on \mathcal{B} for the functional Λ . We prove that Λ attains its maximum at f(z) = z over a subset of \mathcal{B} determined by kernel functions, which provides a positive answer to a conjecture of Cima and Matheson. We use the theory of the *-function introduced by Albert Baernstein, II. (Received October 04, 2004)