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Dear FCC,

My name is Mitch Maifeld and I live in Katy, TX.

The principles of user choice and control are vitally important for a vibrant wireless ecosystem. But as written, the NPRM threatens to undermine these ideals by limiting what users can do with their devices. That's a concern, because I want to be able to update my own wireless software?not rely on slow manufacturers shipping updates.

The draft rules could enable device manufacturers to forbid third-party software, which would keep me from using my custom wireless configuration.

As an electrical and software engineer, I should have the freedom to investigate and modify software on a device I have purchased and own. If you make opening the hood of my car illegal, it may not matter to some who don't care to change their own oil. However, for those of us smart enough to tinker it's a wrench-slap in the face. Take us to a future where building a HeathKit will get you punished and no one should not be surprised when American intelligence sinks below mediocrity.

Sincerely,

Mitch Maifeld