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Dear FCC,

My name is Daniel Dromboski and I live in Elkins Park, PA.

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 device managers often leave security vulnerabilities unpatched, and omit features that make their hardware more useful.

The draft rules could enable device manufacturers to forbid third-party software, which would not only introduce security issues to my home, were I to purchase a new router, but reduce the value of any router for my needs.

My preferred custom firmware, DD-WRT has a specific setting to obey the radio frequency regulations of the country the user specifies. I can be confident my DD-WRT firmware will not cause issues. I have a much more robust set of features after installing DD-WRT, vs the stock firmware. It is easier to use, and looks a bit nicer too. Overall, my experience with the router is better with DD-WRT.

Locking out DD-WRT would be a downgrade, and it feels unnecessary. Please reconsider recommendations that seem to encourage locking down the firmware of the router.

Sincerely,

Daniel Dromboski