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Dear FCC,

My name is Matthew Darling and I live in Charlotte, NC.

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 make me feel less safe about the wireless networks I use and operate.

I have found that sometimes manufacturers are slow to address security issues whereas the open source community isn't. In addition, manufacturers such as D-Link are making their new devices compatible to open source firmware such as DD-WRT. This freedom to use open source firmware also keeps older equipment from becoming obsolete quickly. If a manufacturer stops updating firmware the open source community doesn't. Don't take away this feature. Let's not allow a Volkswagon fiasco happen to routers and other network devices.

Sincerely,

Matthew Darling