

Comments in OPPOSITION to Petition RM-11769

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Petitioner, JAMES EDWIN WHEDBEE, has enjoyed the Agency's consideration of his 243 petitions and comments he has filed during the past 20 years. But besides being a participant in the FCC's proceedings governing licensed radio hobbyists, there is no clear accomplishment in that time frame to Mr. Whedbee's presence in the Agency's deliberations.

Whedbee's latest Request to change the Rules governing the Amateur Service is initially filed as part of a Petition by a group known as the ARRL, a small, non-profit leisure activity association that enrolls its "members" through paid subscriptions.

The ARRL's Petition associated with Whedbee's, RM-11759, has been discredited in the public response ("Comments") filed to date with the FCC, with opposition in the majority of those on record.

Whedbee, while not directly acknowledging the other group's approach contained in its Petition RM-11759, makes their same errors that should prompt the FCC to also reject his Petition RM-11769.

Both Petitions fail to establish the need for any changes in the prevailing, accepted means used by radio hobbyists to array our various modes and activities. Neither establishes a "problem" through the discussion of known complaints and/or documented conflict, nor do their filings reveal any efforts to resolve their premise through voluntary means. Neither provides any survey of existing band activity that could provide a basis for improvement.

Consequently, in filing OPPOSED to RM-11759, and here again, in RM-11769, I urge the FCC to reject both proposals as unwarranted.

Please consider these Comments as timely filed.