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On the matter of WT Docket no. 98-143. there suddenly is an unpleasant taste in my mouth. I can clearly see ahead one major problem. Disaster! you, the FCC have already been cut back on field engineer's and other personell. this is equivelant to removing an large number of police officer's from a large city. You, the FCC are not doing a adequate job of polising the amateur band's now. Furthermore WT docket no. 98-143 will only make matter's worse. The "on the air" conduct and disrespect of rules are only getting worse. Lowering the code requirements of ANY class of amateur license will open the flood gates to semi skilled operators with a care-less attitude.

the code test is like the finish line at the race. It show an individual's determination. I strongly urge the commission NOT to pass WT Docket no. 98-143, and the licensing structure AS IS

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