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Greetings Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would like to voice my opinion on the restructuring of Amateur Radio WT DOCKET 98-143. I had previously sent in an opinion early last year before the proposals had been made. I am basically a proponent of CW or Morse Code as I stated in my previous opinion. I have labored at code for a very long time trying to get to and past 13 wpm. Since my last opinion, at which time I was a HAM wannabe, I have passed my 5 wpm and 13 wpm and all the written tests through extra class. I am currently working on the 20 wpm test and hope to pass it before all this new restructuring takes place. The essence of my views have been echoed by many others though their views may be softer or harsher in certain areas. And except for the code requirements, which I think should probably be changed to 5, 10 and 15 wpm replacing the 5, 13, and 20 wpm, I feel that the WORMSER, ADSIT, DINELLI, BILLINGSLEY AND OTHERS PLAN (referred to hereafter as PLAN) has great merit and I support their plan. It does not hurt or deny anyone trying to become a ham, thinking of becoming a ham, or currently licensed as a ham operator. Compromises are a way and part of life and they are always needed to maintain equality and fairness. This PLAN is a compromise between the earlier rules and regulations and current other proposals for the restructuring of Amateur Radio Licensing. I would therefore urge the FCC to adopt this PLAN in whole or at least as the main basis with which to restructure the licensing.

Sincerely


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