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Dear Sir/Madam,

In reference to the proposed change concerning the Amateur Radio license classes, I would vote yes to the proposal. Also, in reference to the expanded privileges which is being considered for the entrance class Operators in the HF Spectrum of the Amateur Bands, I would vote yes to this proposal also. In the past 3 years that I have been an Amateur Operator, I have noticed a decreased lack of interest in this Emergency service which is provided by Ham Operators and in the past 3 years as being an FCC licensed Operator, have noticed the need for more incentive to bring people into this Art. I feel that Amateur Radio is a very necessary Service which is provided to the Public in their time of need whether it be in times of emergency or just rendering aid to a stranded motorist. I also am employed as a Police Officer here in North Carolina and monitor the Amateur bands while in my performance as an Officer. There have been countless times that myself or other Officers under my supervision have rendered aid to those in need at times of floods, snowstorms and etc., and I feel that this service is very important to the well-being of the Citizens of our County and the People of the United States. I vote yes to the proposal and I feel that the Commission will make the right decision when this is brought before the Commission. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Greg Fisher  
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North Carolina

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