

I have filed a comprehensive comment with regard to RM-11306 in which I ask the Commission to dismiss it in its entirety. I come now before the reviewers in reply to some of the assertions filed by the ARRL in their reply to the many comments filed against this petition.

The issue here considered, and rejected, by an overwhelming number of those who have taken the time and effort to comment is NOT the ARRL or its role among Amateur Radio licensees. The issue is whether or not the Amateur Radio Service bands shall be opened up to what will amount to uncontrolled and uncontrollable interference that will do nothing to assist any role that the Amateur Radio Service now prides itself.

The removal of the limitation on bandwidth cited in §97.221(c) would be an error of substantial magnitude, given the nature of PacTOR emissions mixed among phone emissions. The result will be a sullen refusal of many Amateurs to acquiesce in such a decision and an increase in the kinds of unfortunate (and illegal) antics that now mark several segments of the 75M band.

In the final analysis, if WinLink and PacTOR serve a useful purpose to the Amateur Radio Service above and beyond that of merely offering an elite group of amateurs a means of subverting email-for-a-fee services now widely available, then that purpose will just as readily and just as effectively be served by mandating that all such operations, whether fully automatic or remotely controlled, be carried out within designated sub-bands reserved for such use.

I find the ARRL's reply wholly without merit, and I again ask that RM-11306 be dismissed.

Thank you for making this system available for citizens to file their views and opinions on these issues.