

The American Radio Relay League (ARRL) of which I have been a life member since 1974 wants to increase the maximum bandwidth for digital and RTTY to six times the current limit from 500 Hertz to 3 kHz on the amateur (ham) radio bands. These wide (broadband) signals will cause irreparable harm to continuous wave (CW/Morse) transmissions and communications. It is not in the interest of emergency communications, low signal communications, skill development, and the tradition of amateur radio to allow what is essentially wide band noise and interference to CW communications. There is no reason why the fat bandwidth of machine digital communications should be allowed operating within the narrow bandwidth of CW communications. As a ham of over 44 years with 5 callsigns in our home (WB2MIC, KA1PMS, KA1ZWK, N1UKP, W1PAZ), we are all opposed to the ARRL modification of its petition.