

In the Matter of )  
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Amendment of Part 97 of the ) RM-11625  
Commission's Rules to Facilitate Use in )  
the Amateur Radio Service of Single )  
Slot Time Division Multiple Access )  
Telephony and Data Emissions )

To: The Commission

Rocky Mountain Ham Radio (RMHR) is a non-profit organization based in Lakewood, Colorado which serves the Amateur Radio community in Colorado and adjacent states. RMHR is affiliated with the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), is a member of the Colorado Council of Amateur Radio Clubs and provides infrastructure communications services in the form of fixed and portable voice repeaters, packet digipeaters, and a mobile communications vehicle to be used by Amateur Radio operators for routine and emergency communications. RMHR is committed to using digital spectrum-efficient technology within the Amateur Radio Service and to that purpose has invested in Motorola TRBO (DMR) technology with plans to deploy TRBO repeater systems throughout its service area. The cost for deploying this particular technology is attractive when compared to other narrowband products and is particularly well suited for use in the Amateur Service. As the use of this technology under Part 97 of the Commission's Rules has recently been questioned, RMHR supports the ARRL petition in the above captioned proceeding. The change requested by this petition is consistent with the Commission's desire to promote and encourage experimentation and the use of spectrum efficient technology. As DMR is compatible with existing technology it permits an orderly transition at whatever pace the user community can afford and does not place an undue burden on frequency coordination efforts. We respectfully request the Commission act favorably and without delay.

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