

Comment to FCC regarding GN Docket No. 12-91

Dear Sirs,

Regarding: Impediments to Amateur Radio Service communications, item e.

A particular impediment facing Amateur Radio operation is the CC&R and HOA restrictions on the erection of Amateur Radio antennae. I personally believe the FCC's PRB-1 is a very good directive and should include CC&Rs and HOAs. The restrictions in CC&Rs and HOAs are not just restrictive, but exclusionary and prevent the reasonable operation of Amateur Radio. This, in and of itself, prevents any emergency or disaster relief Amateur Radio communications and the practice of the Amateur Radio operator's radio hobby. The practice of this hobby is what keeps the radio operator up to date and sharp in the event the operator is needed to perform any emergency operation.

As an Amateur Extra class licensee with many years of Amateur radio experience, I believe that PRB-1, which has been adopted by many States and Municipalities, should also apply to all CC&Rs and HOAs. Reasonable antennas can be erected without any adverse effect on aesthetics or the environment and would greatly improve the availability of Amateur Radio operators for any emergency and disaster relief support.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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