

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
) RM No. 11699
Encryption of Amateur Radio Communications)
Petition for Rulemaking)

Comments

As the Emergency Coordinator for Nassau County, Florida Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES), I would like to share my support for the proposed rulemaking change that would permit the encryption of certain amateur communications during emergency services operations or related training exercises.

It is my opinion that amateur radio operations will continue to become more involved in supporting emergency communication efforts. The ability for amateur radio to integrate more fully into the existing, and growing, landscape of encrypted public safety communications, for the purpose of sending sensitive information, will enhance the relationship between amateur radio and the public safety community, fostering the increased use of this valuable volunteer resource.

Respectfully,

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