

I am opposed to this petition.

Many Americans perform volunteer work to improve the quality of life of all citizens. They naturally grab the most inexpensive solution to assist in their tasks.

When that solution has regulatory restrictions that do not support their growing need, they can either change the rules, or grab the next best solution.

I believe encryption is a big enough change to a worldwide asset, that the volunteers really need to move up to the next best solution.

That solution is either an existing radio service that already allows encryption, or a new radio service created by the FCC in coordination with Military, Health, and Security services.

Respectfully submitted,
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