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Re: RM-11708

I support the proposal submitted by the ARRL to remove the symbol rate limitation in §97.307(f) from digital modes used in the Amateur Radio Service.

I feel progress is being hampered by continuing to use decades old restrictions. Technology, especially in data handling, is moving at a faster rate than any time in history. The Amateur Radio Community is falling behind because of the restrictions placed on digital modes. I see it as a great time for us to catch up and even lead the way in many aspects of data handling via HF radio. . This change would allow for more experimentation that would promote advances in data handling. Something organizations such as ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) the American Red Cross, and other civic/disaster relief groups would surely benefit from. As others no doubt have made comment, it has no negative impact on ham radio use and will not increase the bandwidth allowed, and would not alter frequency allocations

Thank you for your time,

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