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Federal Communications Commission
Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau
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RE: Comment on Petition for Rulemaking RM-11708 to Permit Greater Flexibility in Digital Data Communications

Background

In the Amateur Radio Relay League, Inc.'s (ARRL) Petition for Rulemaking (RM-11708), the ARRL seeks to:

1. Modify Sections §97.305 and §97.307 of the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) rules by deleting all references to symbol rate.
2. Establish a bandwidth limit of 2.8 Kilohertz for Amateur data emissions below 29.7 MHz.

These proposed changes are to allow greater flexibility involving experimentation with modern High Frequency (HF) data transmission protocols.

Opinion

I strongly believe that these proposed changes to the Commission's rules will greatly benefit the Amateur Service by allowing for greater utilization of available spectrum, encouraging experimentation, and advancing the radio art. I encourage the Commission to **ACCEPT** these proposed changes.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Blaine Forbort', written in a cursive style.

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