

I would like to go on record as urging the Commission to reject the petition filed by the ARRL in RM 11708 to replace the symbol rate limitation on digital modes with a bandwidth limitation (2.8 kHz). The introduction of wide-bandwidth modes in the CW sub-bands of the Amateur Radio bands would be disastrous to users of CW communications. Not to mention the possibility that some of these users might be automatic/unattended operations almost guaranteed to cause harmful interference. If wider bandwidth digital modes are to be allowed, then their use should be restricted to the sub bands that already permit signals of that width (i.e. – SSB/AM modes).

Respectfully submitted,

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