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RE: WIA response to ACMA proposed changes to the Amateur Service (2019).

To whom it may concern,

Amateur Radio Victoria (Formally WIA Vic Division) has been in existence since 1911 and represents over 400 amateur operators across Victoria.

This is to confirm that the submission made by the Wireless Institute of Australia on behalf of its members is a joint submission with ARV. It addresses the concerns raised by our members.

We would also like to submit a suggestion that **a revision of bandwidth limitations** on VHF should be included.

The existing bandwidth limitations restrict ATV and other 'wide band' digital modes to UHF and above. It has been proven in the UK that limited bandwidth digital ATV using H264/5 encoding on 2 metres is successful and does not create interference to other band users. We believe that this approach could be adopted in Australia for both the 2 metre and 6 metre bands.

Regards

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