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Attention Chris Worley
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Re : Consultation 13/20. Possible use of the 5351.5-5366.5 kHz band by the Amateur Service.

Dear Chris,

I thank the ACMA for the opportunity to lodge a submission on this topic.

I support amateur access to this segment. A 5 MHz allocation as per the IRU recommendation would permit low power communication and experimentation over some propagation paths at certain times that are not possible with the existing 3.5 MHz and 7 MHz bands.

I particularly favour your **Option 2** as it does not discriminate against anyone based on their geographic situation. It is straight forward and easy to comply with. It also provides access to 90% of the IARU band recommendation without any additional caveats.

Radio amateurs already have experience with similar narrow allocations in the HF radio spectrum, for example the segment between 3776 kHz and 3800 kHz

Regards
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