Report to the ARRL Board of Directors The Ad Hoc National Broadband Plan Committee July, 2011

The National Broadband Plan Committee was created pursuant to a resolution adopted at Minute 40 of the January 2011, Annual Meeting of the ARRL Board of Directors. The resolution directed the committee to:

- Assess the current threat levels to Amateur Radio spectrum at 222- 225 MHz, 420-450 MHz, 902-928 MHz, 1240-1300 MHz, 2300-2310 MHz, 2390-2450 MHz, and 3300-3500 MHz;
- 2. Develop arguments and recommend to the board strategies to protect these bands; and
- 3. Submit a preliminary report to the ARRL Board by July 1, 2011.

The resolution specified the membership of the committee shall include, without limitation, the General Counsel and Chief Technology Officer. President Craigie solicited the Directors suggestions for non-board members of the committee and subsequently appointed the following individuals to the ad hoc committee:

Brennan Price, N4QX, Chief Technology Officer Chris Imlay, W3KD, ARRL General Counsel Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT, Rocky Mountain Division Director Kermit Carlson, W9XA, Central Division Vice-Director Rod Blocksome, KØDAS, Midwest Division Vice-Director Kent Britain, WA5VJB, West Gulf Division Member Jay Bellows, KØQB, International Affairs Vice-President (Chair)

The Committee met via teleconference on April 14, April 28 and May 12, 2011. The committee met by Go-to-Meeting webinars on May 26, June 9 and June 27, 2011. The June 9, 2011 meeting was a combined meeting of members present at the National Convention in Plano, TX and a webinar for those unable to attend in person. In between teleconferences the NBP reflector was continuing vehicle for committee communication

The committee members determined that the first priority was to assess the domestic general and band specific threats along with an assessment of the threats posed by International Broadband Plans. Once those threats were determined and the risk assessment made as to the individual bands was made

the committee could proceed to developing arguments and recommending strategies to protect the bands in question.

The Preliminary Report of the committee is attached to this report as Document 28A. The Preliminary Report is limited to an assessment of the domestic general and band specific threats as well as those threats posed by International Broadband Plans. Though this report was truly a product of the entire committee, the report would not have been possible without the contributions of Chris Imlay as to general domestic threats, Rod Blocksome as to report structure and band specific analysis, Brian Mileshosky as to threats at 3300-35—MHZ and Brennan Price's analysis of international broadband threats; my thanks to them and the entire committee.

The committee proposes to present a final report including arguments and recommended strategies to protect the bands in question at the January 2012 ARRL Board Meeting or at such earlier time as directed by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

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