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## Volunteer Monitor Program Report

The Volunteer Monitor (VM) Program is a joint initiative between ARRL and the FCC to enhance compliance in the Amateur Radio Service. This is the October 2023 activity report of the VM Program.

◆ As a result of his operation on 14.265 MHz, an operator in Texas was sent an advisory notice cautioning him of the FCC power limits in the Amateur Radio Service.

◆ An advisory notice was issued to a licensee in Texas cautioning him about broadcasting and failure to share the frequency on 10 meters. The operator was using an automatic device calling CQ with no interval between transmissions, resulting in complaints of monopolizing the frequency.

◆ An advisory was issued to an operator in Georgia as a result of his playing music on 3.927 MHz.

◆ Technician-class operators in Georgia and Missouri were issued advisories concerning FT8 operation on 15, 17, and

20 meters. Technicians have no operating privileges on 17 or 20 meters, and only CW privileges on 15 meters.

◆ Amateur Extra-class operators in Kentucky and Virginia were issued advisory notices concerning long transmissions on 40 meters with no call sign identification.

◆ An operator in Wisconsin was sent an advisory notice concerning deliberate interference to the Lakeshore Repeater Association's operation on 442 MHz. The operator was informed that the case was being referred to the FCC, and that the FCC would enforce the request by the repeater owner that he stay off the repeater.

◆ The VM Program Administrator participated in one meeting with the FCC.

The totals for September monitoring were 2,133 hours on HF frequencies, and 2,703 hours on VHF frequencies and above, for a total of 4,836 hours. — *Thanks to Volunteer Monitor Program Administrator Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH*