

I support the development of BPL and this should be implemented at its soonest. Two issues:

1. Rural access to information. It is no secret that the Internet has become a primary source of information for many citizens today. News from varying sources is a major bonus for Internet users, and the number of sources is an order of magnitude above even offerings from Satellite services such as DirectTV. The access to information will also allow children in rural areas the same access to educational material over the internet as their counterparts in large cities and schools.

2. Economic benefits to rural customers. Aside from the obvious benefits to telecommunication providers, rural businesses can now have increase access to business information, and better ability to conduct e-commerce. The availability of broadband service will permit smaller communities a better opportunity to entice business and permit citizenry to remain in the community.

These are just two of the many reasons BPL should be investigated for the purposes of implementation immediately.