

With respect to the BPL initiative, docket 03-104, there is a large body of empirical evidence that deployment of broadband data services over power distribution lines will definitely make much of our existing HF and VHF spectrum virtually unusable. While those who live in areas with no commercial power will still be able to listen or communicate via radio, the rest of us who live in cities will have our communication privileges effectively negated. This will mean the end of the Amateur Radio service except for short-haul local VHF/UHF communications.

I emphatically protest this initiative as it is written, and strongly suggest that methods that do not generate widespread radio interference be investigated as an alternative.