

Regarding BPL technology, it would be a HUGE step backwards for many radio services including the AM broadcasting service, Amateur Radio, Shortwave broadcasters and listeners and anyone using frequencies of 88 MHz and down. With so much available capacity on fiber optic lines there is no need to be "broadcasting" broadband noise across the radio spectrum using BPL. The benefits are small but the consequences to so many other users of the same spectrum would be disastrous. Please do the right thing and do NOT grant privileges to this new technology.

Another quick note: The power industry expressed concern about low power Amateur Radio operation (2 watts ERP if I remember correctly) because they felt that these operations would interfere with their control carriers in the VLF range. If this was a problem for them with just a few scattered Amateur Radio operators, how much worse will it be with such a large net of dense power lines running throughout the country?