

My comments on BPL are: Hams (amateur radio operators) assist with communications during disasters, and sometimes we're the primary method of communications. Since amateur radio is now a part of Homeland Security, this BPL would just about make our job impossible. Ask Riley Hollingsworth. Power companies are rather inept at correcting or even acknowledging interference complaints when it comes to ham radio. Do they care? This BPL was rejected in Japan---the electronics capital of the world.

BPL, it would seem, would even interfere with the US government, who uses the HF spectrum just like hams do for communications. Companies who manufacture consumer devices like AM-FM radios, Atomic clocks, etc. would surely be faced with a huge negative financial impact if they had to take back their products from people who purchased them and thought they were defective, due to interference from BPL. Take a look at the field measurement video from W1RFI, which is the ARRL's interference focal point, and you will see indisputable visual/auditory evidence that BPL would definitely NOT help all forms of communications in ALL areas of the spectrum.

PLEASE.....save our HF/VHF communications---without us, who would be the points of communication contact for Homeland Security if ham operators cease to operate? I'm sure even the National Guards have more to deal with than being on the radio 24/7. We assist numerous agencies with communications: law enforcement, auxiliaries of the U.S. Air Force, Coast Guard, Navy, Veterans, Red Cross, National Weather Service, just to name a few. I appreciate your time in reading this. Sincerely, Judi Robins - KD7GZR