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BPL**

I address you and the issue of BPL from a back ground of 46 years experience as an Amateur Radio operator and retired Industrial electronics Technician. Through those years I have experienced and struggled with various kinds of radio frequency interference which most often originated from power lines and their associated transmission equipment.

From what I have experienced and recently read about the plan to use BPL as a carrier for internet connect to citizens and industrial users there is the potential for interference to all forms of radio communications including Amateur Radio. It has been encouraging to hear of the actions taken by the FCC's Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth to uncooperative electric utility companies. This adds some weight to the concerns of us average citizens when the big companies won't respond to issues brought before them. To those of us out here in the heart land of this great country it seemed like the right thing to do because now we were being represented by our government.

It has long been my understanding that the government of this country is in place to serve and protect the citizens that support it, as Mr. Hollingsworth has been doing. To allow large electric utilities to destroy the system of Amateur Radio communications that is so vital to the well being of this country would do an unheard of disservice to it's citizens. Amateurs Radio operators offer their time and equipment to serve their communities, with out benefit of profit, which is a resource that can't be replaced in any other way. The example of 9-11, when most all other forms of communications were gone, Amateurs from all over this land came to the rescue with their own equipment and time. Messages of needs and concerns for loved ones were handled across this land on frequencies that BPL seeks to destroy with devastating interference.

I strongly encourage the Commission to not permit Broadband Power Line technology to be implemented in this country. It has been tried in other countries and failed. Please don't make the same mistake!

Sincerely yours