

As a licensed amateur radio operator I would like to express my complete and total opposition to the BPL issue. There is already enough radio interference generated by the poorly maintained power lines and transformers we have to contend with now that any additional would render the HF spectrum virtually useless. With amateur, military, and public service communications so necessary in our post 911 world , I consider this proposal an additional threat to our national security. I refer you to the link below as proof that there is indeed a problem with the BPL proposal.

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** The ARRL sent representative (Ed Hare) to 4 trial towns in which he drove around the streets in a vehicle equipped with a HF transceiver, and a mobile HF antenna. The RFI received was horrendous. A video of this trip showing the receiver S meter, and audio of the RFI is available for viewing at http://216.167.96.120/BPL_Trial-web.mpg