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After watching the ARRL's Video of the interference to the Amateur Radio Spectrum caused by the TRIAL installations of BPL, I am greatly digusted that the FCC is actually planning on allowing this sort of thing to become installed in the mainstream USA.

The FCC makes all sorts of rules and regulations forbidding interference to those with licensed devices. What about this? It's not like the BPL interference is over a small slice of bandwidth -- it's all over the Amateur and Other Bands. This is ludicrous and breaks all FCC regulations regarding interference.

Why is BPL necessary anyway? There are so many alternatives from TelCo services to Cable Services to Wireless Services. Industry in these areas make plenty of money servicing consumers and commercial businesses with such technologies. Do we really need BPL in addition to all of these things? Will it be a huge benefit to consumers? Will it be cheaper and more reliable than these other alternatives? I think not.

The fact is that there is TRULY NO PUBLIC NEED FOR BPL!

What about the FCC compensating every licensed amateur radio operator for taking away their spectrum, all of a sudden? I mean there are hundreds of thousands of us that have spent our hard earned money buying equipment for Amateur Radio Spectrum use that will be rendered TOTALLY USELESS by BPL in one quick swoop!

What if we formed a class and sued the FCC for let's say several billion dollars as a class action law suit for stealing our bandwidth and rendering our technical investments (largely \$5,000+ dollars per licensed Amateur) useless? Would you still go through with BPL.

Fair is Fair: If you're going to take away something, you're going to have to compensate us with something else. If you can't limit the spectrum you're taking and render our licenses (based on the truly usable spectrum) useless, then you have to provide us with other usable spectrum or pay us monetarily for the loss because of the large investment we Amateur Radio Licensees have made in equipment and time.

Here's an analogy for the FCC to ponder. Bringing BPL in to destroy the amateur radio spectrum is like, all of a sudden, taking away gasoline from the automobile owning public. All of a sudden, these cars, trucks and other equipment can not be used anymore. What are they to do with all that equipment? How do they get compensated for that loss?

Think about it.

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