

I am involved in emergency communications through our club station, the Red Cross, and ARES. I vehemently oppose the broadband power line proposal. At times I am unable to access our 2-meter ARES net, as are others, due to high noise levels in our neighborhoods. This would greatly affect the efficacy of communications in emergencies, especially since amateur radio is now a part of Homeland Securities. If we can't do our job/service, we would be failing our country in event of disaster of any kind.