

I strenuously oppose BPL because of demonstrated severe interference to existing licensed services. As a licensee since 1954 in the Amateur Radio service, I would like to point out that the ability of amateur radio operators to provide emergency communications during periods of natural disasters and widespread infrastructure failures, such as the recent power blackout of the Northeast and Midwest, would be severely hampered if not rendered ineffective with widespread implementation of BPL.

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