

Dear FCC officers:

While I am not a ham radio operator, my husband is. I have seen first-hand the benefits that ham radio has provided to many lives, both within and outside the ham community, through volunteer efforts. Reports of hams' activities show up on the news after tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, and even 9/11.

My husband was concerned enough about BPL to ask me to read up on the subject. I have, and I understand his concern.

BPL duplicates cable modem and other broadband services but causes a great deal of interference in doing so. All of the other broadband services have figured out how to not interfere with anyone else.

The interference caused to the high frequency band, used by many groups including hams, is therefore unnecessary.

It seems to me that new technologies should not be implemented to the detriment of others that are still being utilized.

I therefore believe that implementing BPL would be a bad idea as millions of users of the high frequency bands, and the services THEY provide, would suffer greatly. We cannot afford to cause this damage in implementing a service that is effectively redundant and, thus, unnecessary.

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