

I agree with the ARRL's assessment of BPL. I live within a mile of medium level power delivery lines. As an Amateur Radio Operator, I participate in HF traffic nets. With unshielded wires for internet delivery, the interference would bring an end to being able to operate on HF frequencies. Even if ham frequencies are avoided by the power companies, intermodulation products may produce the same affect. Are the power companies willing to turn off this service if harmful interference results? I think not. Other countries have scrapped the idea of BPL due to interference issues. I hope common sense is displayed, and this can of worms is not opened. We currently have a glut of broadband internet service available. Please do not sacrifice amateur and commercial radio on the hf bands to provide more competition. Besides, it would not be fair competition. The cable companies would have to operate under conditions of non interference, and the power companies would not, using inexpensive (unshielded) lines for delivery.