

As a new listener of shortwave radio, I would like to express my concern regarding BPL.

I understand the business case driving the BPL push, but it seems to be a misguided

attempt to inject a new use (broadband information delivery) into a mature product

(power delivery). In all likelihood, this product will not be able to compete with

dedicated networks, both fixed and wireless, that exist or are in development.

Therefore, not only is it an unnecessary product with dubious public benefits, but it is

also one which will negatively affect an established, historical community of users

(shortwave listeners, ham operators, amateur enthusiasts) who have long enjoyed the

benefits of governmental radio wave protection. Please don't reverse decades of governmental policy for the purpose of a short-term, unproven, unneeded change.