

I hereby request an extension of 180 days be added to the existing time period for comments and reply comments to this Notice of Proposed Rule Making, in order to give ample time for the National Telecommunication and Information Administration and the American Radio Relay League to complete their studies and tests of Broadband over Power Lines. Only after these studies are completed and the findings are published can an educated decision be made regarding rule making for BPL. To hastily make a decision on this NPRM without proper scientific data could result in unacceptable levels of interference to the HF and VHF radio spectrum, which could compromise homeland security and national security in the United States.

Alternatives, such as fiber optic and wireless 802.11 technology should be explored for broadband Internet access. The proposed Access BPL technology which would put RF energy on the nation's power grid, and in the home and office wiring of every American has the potential to cause too much harmful interference to existing licensed radio services.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mark M. Oring
AG4RQ
Amateur Extra