

I am an Amateur Radio Operator and a member of NAVMARCOR MARS and RACES and ARES in my Area. I am also a Red Cross Disaster Team member. I am 100% absolutely opposed to BPL. BPL will interfere with our ability to communicate over HF. This is a bad decision to let this go forward and it should be stopped NOW. In these times after 9/11/2001 we need to make our Emergency Communications Stronger, not impair them with this foolish BPL garbage. I for one would be forced to use whatever means necessary to increase my TX wattage to whatever level it takes to overcome any interference that BPL may cause. This means 2000+Watts or MORE!!! Stop this nonsense before HAMS all over the country have to increase their power to the point where it causes major problems. Imagine what would happen to this country if only 50% of the HAMS in this nation had to resort to 2000+ watts. If BPL is to be used the Electric Utilities should be REQUIRED by law to replace ALL lines over which a BPL signal is, will, or MIGHT be, transmitted with shielded cable.