

I am an amateur radio operator, K8UP. I have enjoyed amateur radio since 1966. The hobby has provided me with an opportunity to learn new things, meet people from all over the world, and help out my local community through public service. BPL threatens communications below 30 MHz. It has been proven that it will cause interference that will probably knock out communications in that spectrum. I feel that with cable and satellite providing broadband, we do not need to destroy or partially destroy a valuable asset like amateur radio. Not only will BPL affect amateur radio but other frequencies below 30 MHz will be affected. I know that the proposal is supposed to limit the amount of interference that other services would get, but with the economy the way it is, and with manpower the way it is at the FCC, who will monitor for this interference. Last year's black out of the Northeast power grid goes to prove what shape the whole power system is in and yet they would be expected to keep BPL maintained properly? I have many power leaks in my neighborhood which cause interference now, just from the AC that is being transmitted over them. I can only imagine the interference we are to get from BPL. Please reconsider and spare us from this. Who needs it.

Sincerely,
John F. Fleming