

Dear Sirs,

I am very concerned whether adequate tests of RF interference by BPL have been performed by third parties. I was surprised to hear that the police and emergency response teams have not tested their equipment at all in the presence of BPL, while amateur radio operators who did tests experienced significant interference to the extent that large portions of spectrum became unusable over a wide area. It seems that extensive similar tests done by European and Asian countries have resulted in total abandonment of BPL projects.

Considering the current security threat, I would hope that our emergency workers are safe in assuming that extensive tests have been performed on their behalf, and aren't relying only on research paid for or done by parties with financial interests in deploying BPL.

Perhaps, if BPL turns out to be too dangerous to RF communications, the effort could be turned instead to developing faster, more robust and more scalable microwave or optical links.

Sincerely,  
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