

BPL could be a disaster waiting to happen. It has already been proven in tests that BPL interfere with aeronautical, emergency, amateur radio, and other services and current filtering techniques cannot be proven to reduce such interference. Amateur radio is the only line of communications in cases of national and local disaster such as the 9/11 incident and weather disasters such as hurricanes and earthquakes and tornados. It is the first there with trained people and ready to roll equipment that would be hindered by BPL. At the same time signals generated by these services could interfere with BPL! I fear that diving into this "Great Experiment" of BPL to supply smaller communities with digital service would be most disasterous to all. Further, according to my contacts in the smaller communities in Minnesota all of them already have digital service via phone lines and cannot understand the need for BPL. I feel this has become a political frontier of needing to be a hero where heroism is not needed or even wanted. Plese do not allow BPL to happen on a national basis as it will kill communications more many for a few to use their computer.