

Please consider the ramifications of broadband over power lines (BPL). As an amateur radio operator, I already have a considerable amount of power line noise interference which sometimes makes radio operation impossible. The introduction of BPL will probably make my radio equipment useless. Power lines were never intended to carry RF signals. The lines will act as giant antennas. With everything going on in the world today, the radio spectrum should be kept clear of interference so existing emergency services and homeland security services can continue to operate efficiently. BPL is an unnecessary technology that can cause great harm to the amateur community and for any service that relies on radio communications.

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