

As an engineer and operator within the affected spectrum, the technological hurdles that need to be overcome to make BPL a reality are LARGE. To imply that broadband via powerlines will not have any adverse problems with respect to increased RF noise within the 3-30 mhz range is not the case.

Large cable companies and Local exchange carriers have a distinct advantage over power lines with respect to their broadband delivery access. Cable and Telco use SHIELDED lines to the end user point, which goes a long way in reducing interference to other services.

Power companies do not have this luxury, so their broadband delivery platform is flawed from the start.

Business and consumers are well served with many flavours of broadband offerings from the cable, telco and satellite providers.

To add power companies and utilities into the fray does not serve the public trust or interest for broadband service delivery. Players like ATT will need to find other avenues for revenue generation at the loss of a 'few casual users' (1000s of amateurs for one) of the 3-30 mgz (and beyond) spectrum.