

I am a new Amateur license holder, passed my Technician exam in February (KG6OYK), worked hard on the CW and got upgraded to General at Field Day in June, and I am currently studying for the Extra test. However, the more I read about BPL, the more I feel that my efforts to gain access to HF spectrum are pointless.

I am a broadband user, and work for an "Internet" company - so I support bringing broadband availability to more users. But at what cost? After reading and seeing the ARRL report, I am convinced that the price is way to high - and not only to the Amateur Community.

What about the impact to other services that use spectrum below 80Mhz? I am a new user, and am not familiar with all the other users of the spectrum, but I do know the CHP here in California uses low band VHF for communications - what will be the impact for them? What about Homeland Security communications? What about my 49MHz cordless phone? My garage door opener? My kids remote control cars? Don't they all use spectrum that will be effected if BPL?

The FCC's excitement over BPL is of particular concern. Please do not forget your obligation to protect the spectrum!

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