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a) Introduction

PLC and Broadband communications now being developed and proposed in many countries are one of the biggest concerns and dangers for Amateur Radio, and it is very important that the Amateur organizations do all they can to combat these potentially interfering services.

b) Background

IARU Region 1 has Eurocom and EC meetings every year, and procedures are discussed to protect the Amateur service against the negative influences of power line and broadband communications. However many members have more or less no help for their activities in their home countries.

c) Key Points and Proposals

The IARU Region 1 should install a permanent commission consisting of five (5) to seven (7) members studying the development of these services and proposing appropriate measures to be taken in the member countries to act against their authorities.

d) Recommendations

USKA recommends:

- to install a commission consisting of 5 to 7 members
- to raise funds for eventual processes and trials of IARU and/or their member societies against broadband communication services.
- The goals of the commissions are:
 - to monitor and study the development of broadband communications in IARU Region 1.
 - to prepare recommendations for the member societies how to act and to play against their authorities to protect their lawful rights.
 - to take all actions within their budgets to protect Ham Radio against the real and potential harmful effects of broadband communications.