

## **What are your comments on these proposals?**

I am concerned by the proposals to switch off A.M. radio in the foreseeable future. I live on a hilltop on the outskirts of Taunton in Somerset. There are no tall buildings or other obvious blocks to radio reception but my portable DAB receiver struggles to find and hold on to signals. DAB is promoted as being free from interference but in poor signal areas this is simply not true.

On today's You and Yours (BBC R4) Fru Hazlitt, MD of Gcap's London operations, implied that analogue A.M. is less reliable than DAB. All I can imagine is that she has never tried listening to the radio in the many parts of the country that are distant from transmitters. The big advantage of analogue radio is that almost regardless of the situation one can receive some sort of audible signal. The disadvantage of digital radio and tv is that too often what you get is silence and a little note in the display which says 'searching'.