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Subject: power amp specs

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Hi Folks, I'm 1/2-heartedly shopping for a power amp and looking pretty closely at the Crown amps from PE, specifically the CE1000. From reading the specs, it seems that even Crown is moving away from the FTC requirements of specifying power, distortion, etc. at 20-20KHz. The only amps that have these sorts of specs are the Studio I and II which cost an arm and a leg. Same deal with HT amps. They all seem to be rated at 100W/ch X 5 channels or more, but if you check the back by the power cord, they claim a max 375W input. Have they discovered cold fusion in the form of an audio amp? :^) I doubt it. So back to the original question, are the Crown CE amps at least decent? Quiet? It \*has\* to be quieter than the 100W Klipsch plate amp I'm using now. Any other relative bargains in power amps around? QSC seems to get good comments. Which series? Thx, Chris

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