

## **MICOM 2BF**

If you need a rig that is NTIA compliant don't pass up the Micom 2BF as it has the potential to be a very usable and much less expensive choice for ALE and MARS/SHARES use. The 2BF has a version of Selcall, which is actually a limited implementation of the ALE standard. I have received allcall requests as well as individual calls.

By using the MARS-ALE program the 2BF should be able send and receive the full implementation of the ALE standard. Since the frequencies are entered by the Micom RSS software and the only frequency variable is the clarifier, it is excellent for a channelized application. The firmware version needs to be at least ver. 1.711. This is required for selcall implementation and should help in the MARS-ALE applications.

Using 1:1 transformers on DB25 connectors on the rear of the radio, the input and output should be isolated from RF. Using the rear 25 DB connector both mic(front RJ45) and digital inputs can be connected at the same time facilitating ease of use.

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