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**by Tracy Sear**

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Hi there --John Adams

Ah this is --Tracy Sear. My phone number is xxx-xxx-xxxx, of Waltham, Massachusetts.

Ah, I normally I wouldn’t be calling your office about Title II Net Neutrality Rules---except for the fact that the Public has been commenting and very strongly supports it, and it doesn’t seem to change the FCC position on things, so I thought a call to a random person’s office might be the way to go. Sorry, it has to be you but I want to tell you my story. I hope you take the time to listen ---

My husband many years ago was living in poverty with me in a little crummy basement apartment and our life was pretty hard and he got offered a chance to be a part of a small business. His small business would deliver online Internet content. So, while I supported the family, he worked 16 hour days to get this little business up and running. He wrote the code to deliver online education. Now, there were a lot of very big competitors, a lot of big companies did this on the side.

He was able to capture five percent (5%) of the market and, with that, his small company was able to earn money ….. and they were able to buy us a house. And that’s pretty awesome.

If there had not been Net Neutrality Rules, our small business couldn’t have even started, and that’s what I am trying to say. If things like roads only operated for big businesses, or big business got priority at rush hour, then small businesses couldn’t get started. If you can imagine that there were electricity brown outs going through the city but the big companies got spared, and little mom and pop shops could have their electricity cut off, then only big companies could ever succeed. And the FCC -- at least as I, a citizen, see it -- the FCC’s job is to maintain communications; to maintain our open and free society; to maintain our ability to start businesses; to form associations; to have Freedom of the Press; to meet other people. If you let the Internet get throttled by these big companies, that all goes to heck and small businesses can’t succeed ….. and a lot of what I love about my country starts to disappear.

So there, I’m at xxx-xxx-xxxx. I would be happy to talk with you more about it if you ever want to call me back. Hope you have a great day and thank you for listening all the way through this message.

Bye