

# # Abandoning Title II classification is an act of ignominy by Chairman Pai

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I registered my first internet domain in 1989 and have worked with a number of residential and commercial internet providers over the past 30 years.

The purpose of Title II classification was to ensure internet service providers competed by Quality of Service value to customers who pay for connectivity. Instead, Chairman Pai is regressing competition, abandoning privacy guarantees by allowing network service providers to snoop freely on internet traffic, and double-taxing end-users who have to pay twice for improved quality of service and the content service providers who now will charge more for connectivity fast lanes.

There is no "vision" to Chairman Pai's actions. Indeed, Chairman Pai's recent actions make clear his mission is to reclassify customers as the chattel of incumbent service providers. Further, I fear Chairman Pai's mindset is so favorable to incumbents, he will direct the FCC to *fight* innovative broadband alternatives to incumbent monopolies!

Summary : it is not that incumbent monopolies were losing money; rather, Chairman Pai's ignominy will be laid bare as the better parts of the internet work hard to route around Chairman Pai's colossally partisan and short-sighted leadership at the FCC.