

Public Comment on the FCC consideration of Net Neutrality

To whom it may concern:

I write to express my concern that the neutrality of the internet to all users in the U.S. be assured. Only a year or two ago this topic was thoroughly vetted and the internet was found to be in essence a "public utility" much like the electrical grid. Equal and unrestricted access to the internet is necessary for the conduct of intellectual inquiry, communication between U.S. citizens as well as others throughout the world. The internet enables citizens in remote locations to access intellectual information, products and media reports. It needs to be regulated in a manner that assures that all citizens can access internet resources without restrictions and at the same price.

I am told that Section 2 of the Communication Act currently provides for regulating the internet and that there are proposals to change this part of the Communications Act. I would recommend that you suspend making changes to Section 2 of the Communications Act. I believe that there is no problem that needs solving. Leave things as the currently are.

The internet needs to function much like the interstate highway system. It should publicly owned, freely accessible to everyone, and tax payer supported. It should be cost based, non profit and should not distinguish between users either in terms of rights, privileges or access methods. There should be no censorship of content or restrictions on internet usage. Usage should not be metered or fees allocated based upon usage. The internet should reflect the nation's high value for freedom of thought, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly and the free conduct of commerce.

Thank you for recording my comments. It is my hope that the current neutrality and unregulated status of the internet will not be changed.

Sincerely,

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