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From: Tony Bell <tbell@juno.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/21/96 7:30pm
Subject: ACTA Internet Phone Petition (RM No. 8775)

Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

NO! NO! NO! Please "don't" approve that!

> It is my understanding that the phone companies are >petitioning the regulatory bodies to allow them to apply long
>distance rates to your Internet useage.
>
> Meaning that besides your usual ISP charges, the phone company will >charge you the going "per minute" rate
for LDS to use the Internet.

Thank You!
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From: <Smallfrog@aol.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/21/96 9:01pm
Subject: charges for internet usage

To Whom It May Concern:

I have just read that the long distance companies are petitioning to be allowed to apply long distance rates to my internet usage. I think this is an outrage. As a marketing director of a large equipment manufacturer that is in the process of negotiating with AT&T for an internet site, I am aware of the huge sums that the phone company is already extracting from businesses to set up shop on the net. Are they to also extract huge sums from the traffic that these business sites are attracting? Do you charge people a cover charge to enter a mall? No. Then why would you discourage commerce on the net by charging surfers (or should I say "customers") an outrageous per-minute charge for using the net. Frankly, the net is about creating business. If it weren't, it would not be experiencing the growth that it is. Don't stifle that growth.

That's my fifteen cents a minute worth. (If I'm lucky.)

Sincerely,

Margaret Coleman

P.S. I will personally vote against anyone that supports the phone companies' efforts to charge long distance rates for net usage.

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From: Bill La Mar <blamar@dialnet.net>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/21/96 9:24pm
Subject: Pprotest!

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Office of Secretary

I am understanding that the phone companies are petitioning to charge people for long distance service to use the internet. I find this very unreal that that the TELCO would try to charge for a service that has already been paid for. Please put an end to this petition.

Thank you,

Bill La Mar

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("jmartires@splgate.spl.usace.army.mil...
Date: 11/22/96 12:39pm
Subject: ...no subject... -Reply

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rm8775@fcc.gov

>>> Jorge G Martires <jmartires@splgate.spl.usace.army.mil> 11/22/96 11:48am >>>

The petition from the phone companies to charge internet user fees is motivated by pure greed. They should never be given entitlement to this absurd petition. I will let my congressperson know about my position on this matter. I will also encourage other internet users to discourage FCC from granting entitlement to the phone companies' petition.

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("AAAGolfers@aol.com")
Date: 11/22/96 12:38pm
Subject: NO on Internet User fees -Reply

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>>> <AAAGolfers@aol.com> 11/22/96 11:41am >>>

Gentlemen:

Please do NOT authorize major phone companies to charge an extra fee to on-line users. We went to the extra expense of obtaining an extra phone line in our household specifically for on-line purposes ---- so they are already profiting on us !!!!!

Thank you , Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Oddo, Camarillo, California

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From: Nan Aitel-Thompson <nathomps@CapAccess.org>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 12:31pm
Subject: Id rates

I use the internet in working with kids at risk for substance abuse. A long distance fee would significantly destroy it for low income kids. Don't be dumb. Belonging to the information system is important in reducing drugs and violence.

Nan Aitel-Thompson
Student Assistance
Prince William County Schools
Student Services

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From: Sherri LePage <slepage@cyberzone.net>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 5:18pm
Subject: Telephone Companies petition to charge long distance rate on internet connections

Fed. Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice

To Whom It May Concern,

I recently received via email a letter that states that the phone companies are petitioning the FCC in order to be allowed to charge the going "per minute" long distance rate on internet connections. I and others around me would like to voice our opposition to this petition.

The internet is a valuable source of information and resources for millions of people. I personally connect to the internet through a local phone number and if I have to pay an added fee per minute for long distance when it isn't a long distance phone number I will no longer be able to afford to use the internet as I do. I have two young children who enjoy using the internet for school and exploring sites like the NASA mission control site, the Hubble Telescope photo site, many others.

Other people use the internet for working, or to communicate with the outside world because they are shut-ins. I think it would be a very sad thing if by allowing this petition to pass many children, at-home workers (mainly stay-at-home moms) and shut-in people would lose the ability to use the internet to its fullest. By passing this petition the only people who would be able to continue using the internet without modifying their use time would be those with money, and many of us are struggling to just make ends meet.

In short, please think of the common man, family and child and don't pass this petition. Thank you for your consideration.

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slepage@cyberzone.net
11/22/96 17:21

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From: Robert Matson <76470.352@CompuServe.COM>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 5:02pm
Subject: no phone charge for Internet

Hi,

It is my understanding that the phone companies are petitioning US regulatory bodies to allow them to apply long distance rates to your Internet useage.

If this means that besides my usual Internet Service Provider charges, the phone company will also charge me the going "per minute" rate for me to use the Internet, it seems very unfair and uncompetitive.

I hope such fees would not be allowed.

Thanks.

Robert Matson, Writing, Design and Publishing Services
22-Nov-1996
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A member of my local public radio station, WNYC.

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From: Ryan O'Hearn <ryan@crapartist.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 4:48pm

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Office of Secretary

To whom it may concern:

I oppose the proposal to allow long distance rate apply to internet usage.

This would thourghly destroy the information highway and wipe the the growing industry founded on the web. Not only would I lose my job but so would hundereds of my friends all in the name of large telephone companies further increasing their all ready huge profits.

Ryan O'Hearn

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("BLOCK@mtvn26.viacom.com")
Date: 11/22/96 4:19pm
Subject: phone companies charging fees for e-mail -Reply

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>>> Block, Judy <BLOCK@mtvn26.viacom.com> 11/22/96 07:12pm >>>

I think the phone companies make plenty of money off of us as is- and it would be ridiculous to impose additional charges for e-mail users. thanks jb

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From: Betsy Harkavy <betsy@vivid.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 4:05pm
Subject: Opposition to increased rates

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Please have this serve as my petition to NOT allow phone companies to impose their long distant rates to the internet.

This would surely limit the growth potential of this medium and cause a big slowdown in the technological developments and the globalization that the internet inherently promotes.

Betsy Tara Harkavy

Betsy Harkavy

"It takes a lot of time to be a genius, you have to sit around so much doing nothing, really doing nothing." -Gertrude Stein

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United States Department of Justice

From: Topher LaFata <topher@vivid.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 3:54pm
Subject: I don't

think that the phone co.'s should be charging long distance charges for my internet usage.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

From: 502 Stephen Conkey <502steph@iccus.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 3:46pm
Subject: Fwd: Internet

I oppose

There is talk that the telephone companies are petitioning the regulatory bodies to allow them to apply long-distance rates to your Internet useage. Meaning, that besides your usual ISP charges, the phone company will charge you the going "per minute" rate for LDS to use the Internet. If this is something you would oppose, you should send an email to rm8775@fcc.gov.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20541

From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("falbe@calcpaed.org")
Date: 11/22/96 3:08pm
Subject: Petition from Phone Companies: Internet -Reply

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>>> <falbe@calcpaed.org> 11/22/96 05:59am >>>

I hear that the phone companies are petitioning the FCC to allow them to charge a fee for users to log onto the internet.

Please do not allow them this fee. I already pay for my phone service and do not think this additional fee is justified.

Thank You

Fred Albe falbe@calcpaed.org

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

From: Peter Charles <pcharles@morgan.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 3:01pm
Subject: Internet Phone Petition (RM No. 8775)

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From: Kevin John Black <cole@vivid.com>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 2:57pm
Subject: Internet Tax

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Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco
San Francisco, CA

The Internet tax is a bad idea.

PLEASE do not go any further with this idea!

Kevin-John Black

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Kevin John Black
BuildMaster
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From: <tony.crothers@worldnet.att.net>
To: A16.A16(rm8775)
Date: 11/22/96 2:32pm
Subject: Internet long distance charges

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To whom it may concern,

I am very much opposed to phone companies being allowed to apply long distance charges to Internet usage. I am sure that would end the World Wide Web as we know it.

Sincerely,
Anthony Crothers

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From: Fausto De Sousa <desousa@hotmail.com>
To: A4.A4(fccinfo)
Date: 11/22/96 5:01pm
Subject: Is this really a game?????? :(

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Office of the Secretary

I am shocked with the news that telephone companies are trying to charge us (internet users) a fee for using the privilege of communicating with the world without the hassle and abusive fees charged by telephone companies....Me and my community have a lot of trust in the FCC..and we just hope that we can continue to be able to use what we call "internet" as it is... this is nothing but corporations (telephone companies) trying to play the easy money game...but please don't let them play on us (consumers)!

Best regards!

Fausto De Sousa.

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From: jwc <jwc@earthlink.net>
To: A4.A4(fccinfo),FCCMAIL.SMTP("Senator@boxer.senate....
Date: 11/22/96 5:25pm
Subject: I am sending this in response to a news broadcast I was told aired in Denver

I am sending this in response to a news broadcast I was told aired in Denver that stated the major phone companies are petitioning the FCC to charge Internet users a fee, much like long distance, to use their telephone lines for all their on-line time.

As you can imagine, I am very against this policy. Although the telecommunications industry is changing rapidly, the answer to continued growth in this area is not a hike in rates, but an evaluation of what would be the best for overall economic, social, and governmental change and growth.

Please, do not pass any bill to add additional charges to Internet users without considering all other possibilities.

Regards,

Jeff Cannon

office (310) 820-1943
E-mail jwc@earthlink.net

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From: Arthur Sharpe <asharpe@mail.bna.bellsouth.net>
To: A20.A20(kwerbach)
Date: 11/22/96 7:35am
Subject: Please Sir...

Thank you for taking time to read my E-mail. As a citizen of the United States of America, I respectfully petition the Federal Communications Commission to leave the Internet be. Please do not seek to impose legislation concerning voice communication over the Internet. Free enterprise always works. Thank you for your patriotic support of this issue.

Arthur Sharpe asharpe@bellsouth.net

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("ValleJ@aol.com")
Date: 11/22/96 8:54am
Subject: Re: Phone Company Charges... -Reply

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>>> <ValleJ@aol.com> 11/22/96 02:41am >>>

Hello,

This is to protest the phone compnaies insistence on penalizing internet users via increased rate charges for phone/modem use. WE out here in internet land are organizing and think the phone companies are greedy enough without now trying to charge long distance rates for on-line time. I and WE urge you to reject their bid, it's bad for business, bad for you, and, ultimately it will be bad for them as millions decrease or stop their on-line time. Please, the greed must stop.

Thankyou for your time.

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("JNorberr@aol.com")
Date: 11/22/96 8:53am
Subject: Internet phone fees -Reply

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Office of General

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>>> <JNorberr@aol.com> 11/22/96 01:36am >>>
to whom it may concern:

I have been informed there is a movement afoot on the part of the national telephone companies to charge internet users for time spent on the internet, even though this is accessed through a local number.

I would implore you to act quickly and decisively to squelch this plan. I do not support this and request that you, the federal agency, do not either.

Sincerely,

Jeff Norberry jnorberry@aol.com

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From: FCCINFO
To: FCCMAIL.SMTP("meccam@erols.com")
Date: 11/22/96 8:52am
Subject: Proposal for Charging Internet users for phone line use -Reply

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>>> Melanie Mecca <meccam@205.252.116.10> 11/22/96 01:34am >>>
Dear FCC -

Are you going to allow the greedy profit motive to slow down technology and hamper the greatest technological innovation of our decade? Instant communication between people all over the world? This is double charging, because internet service providers are already paying PLENTY for their lines, and consumers are paying for their extra lines - the phone companies never had it so good!

What if I'm only on the net an hour a day, while my mother talks to her friends for three hours a day? Who's tying up the lines more, and why should either of us be charged since we are paying an access fee? This is not possible to enforce. Consumers cannot be stopped from changing their internet service from one line to another to get around this potential draconian measure. Will the phone companies send an inspector to the homes of its customers to find out which line they are on? Or try to impose "fairness" by limiting the number of minutes for local phone calls? Are we going backward in time?

Thank you for your attention. Please feel free to incorporate any of the above text in your response to these companies.

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