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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary, Room 239
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Sir:

With regard to Docket Numbers 96-262, 94-1, 91-213 and 92-253.

At the moment ISPs are considered "enhanced service provider" under FCC rules. Now the telephone companies want the FCC to rule they can charge the ISPs "access charges" which would mean a per-minute fee for both outgoing and incoming calls.

We can not let the telephone companies take over the Internet by charging those outrageous per-minute fees. If the FCC allows this fee, local ISPs will go out of business shortly thereafter, and the telephone companies will become the dominant ISP.

Respectfully yours,

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I am firmly against the Telcos setting a user/time fee on the local phone calls presumally for the internet calls that are taking up long use/time. Most people might concider the fact of the internet a prime reason but I do not care about the internet inof it self. I sometimes use it (internet) but have found other pasttimes more injoyable than roaming the net.

What is confounding me is why should I pay a use fee for each telephone call in/out calls to my house or wherever just to place revenue in the Telcos pocket.

Since Computers are now a every part of the daily event the simple chores that can be delegated to a small server attached to the telephone at a house can make the Hotwater heater and airconditioner cycle on or off from my cell phone (which I will pay air time and do not really matter since that call can be worth $5.00 worth of electric usage on a very hot day here in NEVADA)

I understand the usage of ADSL systems that the Telcos are placing within several test markets and see the implications to less and less service and more and more money going out to the Telcos.

I once lived in a very remote area but condensed community MT. CHARLESTON, NEVADA, which was on a local system with limited lines to the mountain. The Local Telephone Service said that to upgrade the system so that better service could be given the rates would go from unlimited local calling (within 2 miles was local, the whole township was less than 2 miles long) to a meter rate. All residents where polled and a very solid majority affirmed the action. Better Service is always worth it but the opposite became true and there was not anything we could do. The cost to talk to a neighbor after your allotted (80 units of time) for 15 min 1mile away was equal to calling Las Vegas and talking for 40 min. I never really understood what was their standard for the UNIT was.

This is the basis for the letter to you PLEASE no not allow the TELCOS to gain a upper hand in the way the local phone usage is charged . EXPERIENCE HAS PROVEN SERVICE IS NOT WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT BUT MONEY and lots of here can be mined from the local phone usage, PLEASE SHOULD YOU ALLOW THIS TO TAKE PLACE PLEASE DO NOT CALL ME I DO NOT WANT TO PAY FOR THAT CALL

David Landers

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