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As an educated internet user and former ISP operator, I'm opposed to the charging fees specifically to ISPs. Such a fee would be discriminatory as ISPs already pay a fee to the telecoms for the line or T1 they use. If ISPs are charged on top of that for the users they have, then business' should be charged for there users as well, and anyone else that buys a line from the telecoms. When I buy a phone line from the phone company, I'm not required to pay more for every person in my house that uses my phone, and an ISP should not be required to pay more for every user they have that uses their line.

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Applicant Name: Brian Eck

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Requiring ISPs to pay fees similar to those paid by long distance providers was a terrible idea in the past, and it's still a bad idea. It will stifle competition by putting the thousands of small, innovative ISPs out of business, leaving us with a few meager choices of mega-companies who have shown time and again that they only care about the bottom line, not making the customer happy or improving service. Funding universal access to the Net is a great concept, but doing it at the expense of small businesses (and to the benefit of AT&T, MCI, etc.) would be a real crime.

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Applicant Name: Lon Seidman  
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I feel 96-45 (Report to Congress) should not recommend to congress that Internet Service Providers be required to contribute to Universal Service. Keep in mind that many ISPs are not huge corporations! Many are run by small business owners, who are having a hard enough time competing against the telephone companies. Please be mindful of the small business person when deciding this issue. Also remember that adding fees to ISP bills could give state (and even the federal) government to add additional taxes to Internet service. Let's not go down that road! Please leave universal service the way it is.

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I believe that imposing an "Internet tax" on ISP is a bad idea. It will slow down the information flow and jeopardize American leadership in information technology.

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Applicant Name: Dan Clements  
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Lawfirm Name:  
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Online access providers should not be forced to pay phone companies a fee for every customer who hooks up to the Net through a local phone company. Users are already paying the phone companies for their phone service.

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Applicant Name: James J. Weber  
Proceeding Name: 96-45 Author Name:   
Lawfirm Name:   
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City: Tonawanda State: NY   
Zip Code: 14150 Postal Code:   
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I own a small Internet Service Provider up in Western NY. I am writing to protest the idea that ISP's are reclassified as a telecommunications company. ISP's are part of the Information Industry. New York has already listed ISP's as Information Services and has even eliminated the charging of Sales Tax for Internet access. The only reason the Baby Bells are going after us is from PURE GREED. They still monopolize the local phone service and they treat their customers very bad. If this bill goes through, the FCC will be responsible for 1000's of small businesses going out of business and even some very big ones, like AOL. There is very little profit in providing dialup services for smaller ISP's now, if this tax or charge goes through, the only one's who will still be able to provide dialup will be the Baby Bells. So in reality, you would hand over another monopoly to the Baby Bells who already have a monopoly. This does NOT make sense at all. Please do not let the Telco's run us out of business.

Thank You

Jim Weber

President

Wizard Communication Systems, Inc

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Applicant Name: p hendricks

Proceeding Name: 96-45 Author Name:

Lawfirm Name:

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If per-minute charges are applied to Internet use, it will seriously limit opportunities for all. It will tend to make the Internet a place for elites only. I live in New Mexico and I do most of my business over the Internet. A significant portion of economic growth is coming from small businesses, home-owned businesses -- and the Internet will play an increasingly important role in our economy -- don't strangle it before it can take hold. -----> ph

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Applicant Name: Dianne Walker  
Proceeding Name: 96-45 Author Name:   
Lawfirm Name:   
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In reference to 96-45, I oppose this bill. As a consumer of Internet Services, it is obviously not going to help promote the usage of the Internet to potential new users and is going to help eliminate the usage of the Internet by current users due to the rise in costs. This will not only decrease the users but will also help to reduce Ecommerce by limiting access to users and thus eliminating business for online vendors. I am definitely opposed to this bill and would ask that it be dropped from the agenda!

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Applicant Name: Billie L. DiNicola  
Proceeding Name: 96-45 Author Name:  
Lawfirm Name:  
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I am furious with the proposition that internet users who access the net via standard telephone lines could have a per minute surcharge levied up on them. I use the net on a daily basis. I have developed an entire life around it, including business, personal correspondance and entertainment. I feel that if a per minute charge is added it would significantly alter my life. I can barely afford the unlimited access that I already enjoy. If I had to pay by the minute, I would be devastated! You might just as well let oil companies create a 'per mile' surcharge for using fuel!! Don't let this happen! It is a gross miscarriage of big business!

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The FCC should reject the telephone industry request to force ISP's to pay into the universal service fund. This would raise costs for ISP's on a per minute basis and would lead to higher online access rates for consumers. ISP's should not be classified as telecommunication services, and should therefore be exempt from the fund.

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My ISP already pays large sums of money to access the telephone lines.  
They are buying a service - why should they pay a fee to buy that service?

I do not want my ISP to have to pay any additional fees.

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Applicant Name: Daniel Anderson  
Proceeding Name: 96-45 Author Name:   
Lawfirm Name:   
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With reference to the above proceeding, the call by local phone companies to get their "Fair Share" of the internet phenomina is nothing more than greed. They say that the people that access the system are putting an undue strain on their facilities. The fact is that if the facilities were clogged we would get recordings saying that "All Circuits Are Busy" The only time I have seen that occure is in Phoenix AZ when Goodnet moved to a new facility where they were assured by the local phone company that there would be adaquate coverage when in fact there was not. Before the move, calling Goodnet NEVER had resulted in that sort of message. The Internet providers are already paying business rates for their phone lines. The phone companies don't need to gouge the consumers as well. If they want to gather more income, tell them to go after the telephone solicitors with their automatic dialing equipment that puts a 100% drain on their system all the time.

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