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A few incumbent phone carriers have noted recently in their filings that they've suffered significant subscriber losses to argue for their respective proposals. Simultaneously though, individuals, businesses and competitive carriers alike have complained about their refusal to maintain their outside wiring, quickly rising subscription costs, and hamfisted attempts to switch customers to wireless or IP-based phone services. Likewise, their failure to compete against cable companies in the broadband market and bundling tactics are probably attributable to the loss of some of their POTS customers.

So while there's undoubtedly loss to wireless only households, the lukewarm attitudes we've seen from carriers, in my opinion, destroys the credibility of their arguments. I have very little confidence in any of the proposals I've heard being used to benefit the consumer. In the hopefully unlikely event that the Commission should approve of them, I'd like to ask that there not be any compromise from the regulations traditional POTS service is governed under.

Thank you.