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Dear FCC, Please protect our free data! We live in a mobile nation that requires we use our cell phones constantly. We need to be able to play online, receive texts, stream movies, track our steps, navigate the web, and do endless other things on our smartphones wherever, however, and whenever. That's why we need you to safeguard free data. Free data plans empower us to choose how we use mobile services. Being able to stream as much music or video as we want is an amazing thing _ it frees up data that we can use on other things. Free data lets us explore new information in new ways or lets us try out new applications. Free data plans are not only compatible with the FCC's open internet rules, they also create new opportunities for us to save money and for small businesses to gain visibility in what has become a rapidly growing field of online content creators and marketers. The vast swath of consumers say they are in favor of free data. So far, the FCC has done the right thing by allowing free data plans. It should continue on this path. The FCC should evaluate each new plan individually and only take action to prohibit a plan if a mobile provider or content company engages in negative behavior that actually hurts consumers. The FCC should not categorically ban free data plans. As people concerned about our monthly expenses and interested in getting the best the internet has to offer, we ask the FCC to continue to protect free data plans. There is no one-size fit all approach for how we use our smartphones to get online. But one thing is for sure _ the FCC should protect, support and encourage free data plans.