

Please send this to someone in the FCC. I am an Internet Service Provider and my concerns are stated below. Do not allow the Bell companies and Cable providers to dominate the internet landscape.

I am outraged that the large monopoly telephone companies and both the FCC want to allow only telephone companies to be the only provider of DSL. At this point, cable providers are also a monopoly with internet service, not an information service. Cable providers kill small internet providers, because for less than \$40.00 per month they can provide 100x the speed. There is no way for the small mom & pop ISP to compete with this. DSL even costs ISPS \$35 per month alone per customer, and this does not include the outgoing bandwidth the ISP must provide to support this. Tack on transport charges from the central office to the ISP's office, and add another \$400 per month for each 1.5 megabit connection to and from the CO to connect DSL customers. The long and short of the matter is that companies cannot be profitable selling DSL with bell's monopoly unless they have access to lots of 'free' bandwidth.

I own an INTERNET SERVICE myself. If the FCC and Bell companies get their way in this matter, I may as well just go out of business. I currently spend around \$30,000 a year with the telephone company. They are making money. I struggle to survive. It is outrageous what is being proposed. Killing the little guys is going to cut thousands of jobs in the country, since 2/3 of all people are employed by smaller businesses. Information technology jobs are difficult to find. If my company cannot provide high speed access to both residential users and business users, then it is only a matter of time before all of the local mom and pop ISP's go out of business.

Competition is a good thing in our country. Allow smaller businesses to be competitive in providing internet service.