

Attaching the USF to bandwidth usage will serve to preserve the monopoly of the ILECs. Congress has time and again tried to introduce competition into this market place. Taxing broadband usage will result in making it more expensive slowing its proliferation. This drag will affect the growth of the internet as a marketplace slowing the transition in the U.S. to an information and services economy. To increase taxation in a time of economic recovery is unwise and potentially hazardous. Chairman Greenspan would agree. Please do not succumb to the monopoly influence of the ILECs. Please support the growth of the economy by not imposing this tax. Thank you.