

Dear Chairman Powell,

While I support a business's dominance when it has achieved this dominance through delivering a superior product, I do not believe the Bell Phone companies have done so. In my experience living in San Francisco, New York, and Washington, D.C., the Bell Phone Companies provide a vastly inferior product - both in local, long distance and DSL service - and there is no incentive for them to improve. For instance right now in Manhattan, to receive DSL service one must pay Verizon for local service, regardless of which ISP one chooses. Verizon's local service is overpriced, unreliable, and consumers should have the freedom to take their business elsewhere without having to sacrifice high-speed Internet access.

I urge you not to allow the Bell Phone Companies to continue to dominate the marketplace with an inferior product simply because they are protected by laws and policies such as the one I am protesting. By doing so you are harming the future of America's infrastructure.

Sincerely,  
Gabriel Wachman