

I am writing on behalf of Tech Superpowers, Inc - a local IT provider in Boston, NewburyOpen.net - the largest free wireless network in the Boston area, and BostonWAG.org - the Boston Wireless Advocacy Group.

We are commenting on the ET Docket No. 05-247, Massport vs. Continental Airlines. We are fully in support of the free network provided by Continental Airlines at the lounge and feel that unless the terms of the lease do not specifically prohibit free WiFi service, that they should be allowed to continue.

As an advocate of community networks, it is important that people have choice of providers in unlicensed spectrum. If one provider has a lower pricing structure vs. another, that does not give an organization the right to shut down a competitor's network. Letting an entity like Massport have its way with this action would, in fact, be stifling competition and contrary to what I see is the intention of unlicensed spectrum.

We fully support the existence of multiple overlapping networks with different pricing structures. Setting a precedent within the context of this ruling that Massport could restrict the usage of their airwaves in unlicensed spectrum would have significant ramifications for other areas in public and private spaces that have multiple operating networks.

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